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*Annual Report*  
OF THE  
**TOWN OFFICERS**  
OF  
**WILMINGTON, MASS.**



*for the*  
FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,  
*1943*

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## ELECTED AND APPOINTED

## TOWN OFFICERS, 1943

## SELECTMEN AND BOARD OF SURVEY

CHARLES H. BLACK, Chairman	Term expires 1944
JOHN D. COOKE	Term expires 1945
FRANK W. DAYTON	Term expires 1946
OLIVE M. SHELDON, Clerk	

## Moderator

PHILIP B. BUZZELL

## Town Counsel

PHILIP B. BUZZELL

## Town Clerk

WILLIAM S. CAVANAUGH

## Honorary Treasurer

FRANK L. EAMES

## Treasurer

ALFRED S. ALLEN

## Collector of Taxes

GEORGE W. BUCK

## Town Accountant

Harry R. Deming

Term expires 1946

**Board of Public Welfare (Three Years)**

WALTER G. BUCKLE	Term expires 1944
ROY A. BOUSFIELD, Chairman	Term expires 1945
STEVEN COLUCCI	Term expires 1946

**Assessors (Three Years)**

JOHN D. COOKE	Term expires 1943
GEORGE W. BUCK	Term expires 1945
WILLIAM H. DOUCETTE	Term expires 1944

**Constable Elected**

HARRY J. AINSWORTH

**Chief of Police**

HARRY J. AINSWORTH

**Deputy Chief**

FRANCIS S. HOBAN

**Sergeant**

TALBOT SIDELINKER

**Board of Health**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

CHARLES H. BLACK, Chairman	FRANK W. DAYTON
JOHN D. COOKE	
GERALD FAGAN, M. D. (Agent Board of Health)	
WILLIAM S. CAVANAUGH, (Special Agent B. of H.)	

**Inspector of Slaughtering**

RALPH B. ODIORNE

**Inspector of Animals**

RALPH B. ODIORNE

**Chief of Fire Department**

**EDWIN L. DAY**

**Assistant Chief Fire Department**

**WINFRED W. RICE**

**Forest Fire Warden**

**EDWIN L. DAY**

**Deputy Forest Fire Wardens**

**WINFRED W. RICE**

**EDMOND SARGENT**

**ERNEST W. EAMES**

**H. C. BARROWS**

**CHESTER HORTON**

**CHARLES H. BLACK**

**GEORGE S. CUSHING**

**Forest Fire Patrol**

**ERNEST W. EAMES**

**JAMES CASTINE**

**Water Commissioners**

**CALEB S. HARRIMAN, Chairman**

**Term expires 1945**

**LOUIS T. McMAHON**

**Term expires 1944**

**ALDEN N. EAMES**

**Term expires 1946**

**Superintendent of Water Department**

**EDMUND H. SARGENT**

**Cemetery Commissioners**

**LOUIS T. McMAHON**

**Term expires 1944**

**GUY E. NICHOLS**

**Term expires 1945**

**DAVID MARTIN**

**Term expires 1946**

**ERNEST W. EAMES, Superintendent**

### School Committee

AUGUST G. MacLEOD	Term expires 1944
VILMA BEDELL	Term expires 1944
CHARLES A. BALDWIN	Term expires 1945
ERNEST M. CRISPO	Term expires 1945
ADAM GALKA	Term expires 1946
BURT E. TILLEY	Term expires 1946

### Superintendent of Schools

STEPHEN G. BEAN

### Attendance Officer

ERNEST CAIL

### Inspector of Buildings

CHRISTOPHER BOUSFIELD

### Police Officers

George Fuller

Frank Gammons

### Special Police

Lawrence Babine	Harry J. Frotton	Edward Lyons
Walter Babine	Harry Goodearl	Joseph Marsi
Truman Bennett	Francis Gratecyk	Clyde M. Martin
Ralph Bigger	Harry P. Hemeon	Frank Miller
Aristide Brabant	John F. Hartnett	Garnet Mills
Stanley Cady	Horace Huntley	H. Oliver Newcomb
Ernest Cail	Forest Hewitt	Ralph Odiorne
Sumner S. Currier	John Imbimbo	Edmund Palace
Harry J. Cutter	John W. Joy	Charles Penny
Simon Cutter	Arthur Kelley	Gardner I. Richie
George H. Cushing	Roger Kenney	Harold Sims
John H. Doyle	Adam Koslowski	Benjamin Solow
Frank Farrell	Paul Spence	Walter A. Surrette
Walter Smith	William Rogers	Harold Trainor
Howard J. Richards	John L. Wilson	Harold Woodman
Stanley Webber	Joseph Galka	Joseph McManus
Walter Fitch	Edward Lee	Joseph Farrell

### Police Women

Myrtle Shaw

Viola Staveley



**Keeper of the Lock-up**  
**HARRY J. AINSWORTH**

**Registrars of Voters**

<b>JAMES J. GILLIGAN</b>	Term expires 1946
<b>VINAL E. LEWIS</b>	Term expires 1944
<b>CHARLES T. HUBBARD</b>	Term expires 1945
<b>WILLIAM S. CAVANAUGH, Clerk of Board</b>	

**Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber**

<b>WILFRED A. ANDREWS</b>	<b>FRANK PATCH</b>
<b>HERBERT C. BARROWS</b>	<b>CHARLES D. REILLY</b>
<b>HARRY R. DEMING</b>	<b>ARTHUR W. EAMES</b>
<b>John W. Babine</b>	

**Measurers of Leather**

<b>LAWRENCE W. HARRIMAN</b>	<b>PAUL CHISHOLM</b>
<b>CHARLES HEMBREE</b>	<b>RUSSELL J. GRACIE</b>
<b>REGINALD J. FROTTON</b>	

**Public Weighers of Merchandise**

<b>EDWARD HASKELL</b>	<b>WALTER L. HALE, Jr.</b>
<b>ALGOT L. OSTERMAN</b>	<b>HARRY R. DEMING</b>
<b>FRED W. CARTER</b>	<b>WILBER STAVELY</b>

**Sealer of Weights and Measures**

**SAMUEL P. PIKE, Sr.**

**Superintendent of Streets**

**JAMES H. WHITE**

**Funeral Directors**

<b>WILLIAM S. CAVANAUGH</b>	<b>JOSEPH B. McMAHON</b>
<b>GUY E. NICHOLS</b>	

**Burial Agent**

**JOSEPH B. McMAHON**

### Trustees of Public Library

EDWARD N. EAMES	Term expires 1946
PETER NEILSON	Term expires 1946
PHILIP B. BUZZELL	Term expires 1945
HELEN H. BUCK	Term expires 1945
CHARLOTTE HATHAWAY	Term expires 1944
LOUIS T. McMAHON	Term expires 1944

### Trustees of Trust Funds

CALEB S. HARRIMAN	Term expires 1946
PHILIP B. BUZZELL	Term expires 1945
EDWARD N. EAMES	Term expires 1944

### Tree Warden

JOHN W. BABINE

### Superintendent for Suppression of Moths

JOHN W. BABINE

### Board of Appeal

FRANK HADLEY, Chairman	Associate members
JOHN H. DOYLE	HERBERT HIGGINBOTHAM
STANLEY WEBBER	LOUIS L. KLEYNEN

### Sarah D. J. Carter Lecture Fund Committee

JOHN W. HATHAWAY	Term expires 1948
MILDRED E. NEILSON	Term expires 1947
FOSTER B. BALSER	Term expires 1946
ALICE M. ALLEN	Term expires 1945
ANNA R. BARRY	Term expires 1944

### Planning Board

HERBERT R. BOUTWELL	Term expires 1946
STANLEY CADY	Term expires 1945
LAWRENCE H. CUSHING	Term expires 1944

### **Finance Committee**

HERBERT C. BARROWS (Chairman)	Term expires 1944
HAROLD E. MELZAR	Term expires 1944
JOSEPH P. RING	Term expires 1944
JOSEPH M. GRIMES	Term expires 1945
KENNETH J. CHASE	Term expires 1945
WALTER FITCH	Term expires 1945
CHARLES F. PERRY	Term expires 1946
THOMAS C. DALY	Term expires 1946
WILLIAM P. CURTIN	Term expires 1946

### **Ballot Clerks and Tellers**

Rose Cavanaugh	Justice Balser	Susan Esler
Grace Thurston	Olive Sheldon	Daisy Sciarappa
Helen Gammons	Edgar Shaw	Natalie Giroux
Irene Elfman	Mary B. Wilson	Ernest Eames
Frederick Burbank	John Denehy	

### **Custodian of Town Hall**

ERNEST W. EAMES

## **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

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**Record of Warrants and Proceedings of the Town Meetings,  
Summary of Births, Marriages and Deaths with a Statement  
of Money Paid the Town Treasurer on Account of Dog  
Licenses, also Statements of Money Paid Division of  
Fisheries and Game and Money Paid  
Town Treasurer.**

## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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To Harry J. Ainsworth, a Constable of the Town of Wilmington:

Greetings: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in the By-Laws of said Town, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Monday, the First Day of March next, at 9:45 o'clock in the forenoon, the polls to be open at 10:00 A. M., and shall be closed at 8:00 P. M., for the election of Town Officers.

Article 1. To bring in your votes on one ballot for one Selectman for three years, who shall also act as a member of the Board of Survey; one Assessor for three years; Town Clerk; Treasurer; Collector of Taxes; Constable; Board of Public Welfare, one member for a term of three years; two members of School Committee for three years; two Trustees of the Public Library for three years; one member of the S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee for five years; one Water Commissioner for three years; Planning Board, one member for three years; Tree Warden; Moderator; one Trustee of Trust Fund for three years.

You are also further required and directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington, who are qualified to vote on elections and town affairs therein, to assemble subsequently and meet in Town Meeting at the Grange Hall, Wildwood Street, in said Town of Wilmington, on Monday, the Seventh Day of March, A. D., 1943 at eight o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following Articles:

Article 2. To choose all other Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To hear the reports of Committees and act thereon.

Article 4. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the following items:—

General Government	Cemetery
Protection of Person and Property	Interest
Highways	Schools
Charities	Library
Soldier's Benefits	Recreation
Unclassified	Maturing Debt
Memorial Day	Reserve Fund
Water Department	Insurance

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1943 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to pay for affecting insurance providing indemnity for the protection of the officers and employees of the Highway, Cemetery and Police Departments of the Town against loss by reason of their liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries, including death, at any time resulting therefrom, caused by the operation, within the scope of their official duties or employment of motor vehicles owned by the Town, to an amount not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars (\$5000.00) on account of injury to or death of one person, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, Chapter 40 of the General Laws, as amended, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) for the observance of Memorial Day, and that the Moderator appoint a committee who shall arrange and have charge of such observance, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Board to sell at public auction in the evening, properties taken by the Town under Tax Title foreclosure procedure, and be authorized to execute all documents necessary to carry out the purpose of this vote, provided however, that before any sales are made due notice of the time and place of sale shall be given by advertising in the local paper and Lowell Sun at least fourteen (14) days before the sale and deeds executed hereunder must be recorded within twenty (20) days of their execution.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to purchase two (2) trucks for the use of the Highway Department and raise and appropriate any sum of money for the purchase of same, also authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of three persons to purchase the same, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1325.00 to pay Welfare bills incurred in previous years, due other Cities and Towns, or do anything in relation thereto. Request of Board of Public Welfare.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$61.83 for 1942 unpaid Police Department bill and \$39.00 for 1942 unpaid Health and Sanitation bill, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars, (\$100.00) or some other amount. The money to be expended under the direction of the 4 H Town Committee, serving in co-operation with the Middlesex County Extension Service under the provisions of Section 40 to 45, Chapter 129, General Laws of Massachusetts. .

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Welfare to appoint one of its members as agent for the Board and fix the salary of such agent in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws. Request of the Board of Public Welfare.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any amount for the purpose of civilian defense, and for the protection of the people and property in the town, as set forth in and authorized by Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1941, or do anything in relation thereto. Request of Defense Committee.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to purchase the so-called Roman property on Church Street, consisting of about eighteen acres of land with buildings thereon, for school or other municipal purposes, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) or any amount, for such purposes. Request of August G. MacLeod.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to sell to the United States Government or to any agency or department thereof, such number of typewriters, the property of the School Department of the Town, as in the discretion of the Committee can be spared from said Department, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept Brand Avenue from Richmond Street to Baker Street as laid out by the Board of Survey, a distance of One Thousand Eight Hundred (1800) feet, more or less, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to accept Grant Street from Federal Street to land of the Boston & Maine Railroad, as laid out by the Board of Survey, a distance of Seven Hundred Eighty (780) feet, more or less, or do anything in relation thereto.



Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to accept Wilson Street from Federal Street, to land of the Boston & Maine Railroad, as laid out by the Board of Survey, a distance of Seven Hundred and Sixty (760) feet, more or less, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept Lincoln Street from Federal Street to land of the Boston & Maine Railroad, as laid out by the Board of Survey, a distance of Seven Hundred Twenty (720) feet, more or less, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept Pershing Street from Federal Street to land of the Boston & Maine Railroad as laid out by the Board of Survey, a distance of Seven Hundred Twenty (720) feet, more or less, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept Liberty Street from Federal Street to land of the Boston & Maine Railroad as laid out by the Board of Survey, a distance of Seven Hundred Forty (740) feet, more or less, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept Mackey Road from Federal Street for a distance of Two Hundred Fifty (250) feet, more or less, as laid out by the Board of Survey, or do anything in relation thereto.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant, or a certified copy thereof, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, as soon as may be and before said meeting.

Given under our hands and Seal of Said Town this Tenth Day of February, A. D., One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Three.

FRANK W. DAYTON, Chairman.

CHARLES H. BLACK.

JOHN W. COOKE

Selectmen of Wilmington.

Middlesex ss;

This is to certify that I this day posted attested copies of this WARRANT in accordance with the by-laws of the Town of Wilmington.

HARRY J. AINSWORTH,

Constable of Wilmington.



# TOWN MEETING

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## RECORDS OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD MARCH 1, 1943

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant, the Voters assembled at the Town Hall on the above date. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. Philip B. Buzzell.

On motion of Ernest W. Eames, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

The Moderator examined the ballot box which was found empty, the register indication 0000, the ballot box was then locked and the key delivered to the Constable.

The ballot clerks and tellers being duly sworn, the official ballots were then delivered to the ballot clerks and receipts were taken by the Town Clerk.

At ten o'clock A. M. the Moderator declared the polls open.

At eight o'clock P. M. the Moderator declared the polls closed.

The names checked on the check list numbered seven hundred and eighty three, (783), and the register indicated seven hundred and eighty three (783).

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The following is the vote for the Town Officers as announced by the Moderator:

### SELECTMAN (To Act as Board of Survey Three Years)

	Voted
Elected Frank W. Dayton, four hundred six	406
Samuel G. Grant, three hundred twenty-one	321
William E. Rogers, forty	40
Blanks, sixteen	16

### ASSESSORS (Three Years)

Elected	John D. Cooke, five hundred ninety-two	592
	Blanks, one hundred eighty-seven	187
	James Burns, one	7
	John Horton, one	1
	Melvin Southmayd, one	1
	Dorothy M. Allen, one	1

### TOWN CLERK

Elected	William S. Cavanaugh, six hundred ninety	690
	Blanks, ninety-two	92
	Dorothy Killam, one	1

### TREASURER

Elected	Alfred S. Allen, six hundred eighteen	618
	Blanks, one hundred sixty-two	162
	Wright Eisenhaur, one	1
	John Dukas, one	1
	Oliver Newcomb, one	1

### TAX COLLECTOR

Elected	George W. Buck, six hundred thirty-eight	638
	Blanks, One forty-two	142
	Madeline Southmayd, one	1
	Henry Morgenthau, Jr., one	1
	Ned Nolan, one	1

### CONSTABLE

Elected	Harry J. Ainsworth, six hundred sixty-five	665
	Blanks, One hundred fifteen	615
	Chester Nimitz, one	1
	Betty Wendell, one	1
	Edward Lee, one	1

### BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE (3 Years)

		Votes
Elected	Steven Collucci, four-hundred thirty-nine	439
	Maurice O'Neil, two hundred twenty-four	224
	Blanks, one hundred nineteen	119
	Frederick L. Kleynen, one	1

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE (3 Years)

Elected	Adam T. Galka, five hundred forty-five	545
Elected	Burt E. Tilley, four hundred eighty-seven	487
	Blanks, Five hundred thirty	530
	Gus Blaisdell, one	1
	Joseph P. Ring, Jr., one	1
	Dorothy M. Allen, one	1
	Herbert R. Boutwell, one	1

### TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY (3 Years)

Elected	Edward N. Eames, five hundred fifty-seven	557
Elected	Peter Neilson, four hundred ninety-six	496
	Blanks, five hundred nine	509
	Allen Riley, one	1
	Herbert R. Boutwell, one	1
	Domenick Himmler, one	1
	Erwin Rommel, one	1

### S. D. J. CARTER LECTURE COMMITTEE (5 Years)

Elected	John W. Hathaway, four hundred eighty-three	485
	Blanks, two-hundred ninety-five	295
	Howard Bedell, one	1
	Ernest Woodside, one	1
	Philip B. Buzzell, one	1
	Erwin Rommel, one	1
	Frank Knox, one	1

### WATER COMMISSIONER (3 Years)

Elected	Alden N. Eames, five hundred seventy-five	575
	Blanks, two hundred four	204
	Arthur Williams, one	1
	Carl Chapman, one	1
	Dwight Eisenhower, one	1
	John Ducas, one	1

# PLANNING BOARD (3 Years)

Elected	Herbert R. Boutwell, ninety-two	92
	Blanks, six hundred fifty-six	656
	J. Howard Eames, one	1
	Mary Bemis, one	1
	Walter Geswell, one	1
	Burt Froton, one	1
	James H. Taylor, eight	8
	Edward Neilson, two	2
	Harry Goodearl, one	1
	Edward Manning, three	3
	Truman Bennett, one	1
	Walter G. Buckle, one	1
	Susan T. Esler, one	1
	Alfred S. Allen, one	1
	Horace Huntley, two	2
	Daniel Ross, one	1
	Ray Hines, one	1
	Louis McMahon, one	1
	Justice Balser, one	1
	Louis Elfman, one	1
	William E. Rogers, one	1
	Walter Fitch, one	1
	Frank Patch, one	1
	Edwin Forest, one	1
	Fred Cain, one	1
	David Elfman, one	1

## TREE WARDEN

Elected	John W. Babine, five hundred ninety-nine	599
	Blanks, one hundred eighty-two	182
	Elmer Nary, one	1
	Betty Grable, one	1

## MODERATOR

Elected	Philip B. Buzzell, six hundred seven	607
	Blanks, one hundred seventy-four	174
	Alec Morrison, one	1
	Joseph Martin, Jr., one	1

## TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS (3 Years)

Elected	Caleb S. Harriman, five hundred fifty-seven	557
	Blanks, two hundred twenty-four	224
	Herman Bischoff, one	1
	Edmond Waters, one	1

The meeting then adjourned until March 8, 1943.

Attest, WILLIAM S. CAVANAUGH, Town Clerk.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE ADJOURNED ANNUAL  
TOWN MEETING HELD MARCH 8, 1943

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At eight fifteen P. M. the Moderator called the meeting to order.

Article 2. On motion of Herbert C. Barrows, it was voted that a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to bring in a list of names as nominations for the several offices to be filled under this article.

The following list was submitted as nominations:

SURVEYORS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER

Wilfred A. Andrews	Frank Patch
Herbert C. Barrows	Charles D. Reily
Harry R. Deming	Arthur W. Eames
John W. Babine	

MEASURERS OF LEATHER

Lawrence W. Harriman	Paul Chisholm
Charles Hembree	Russell J. Gracie
Reginald J. Frotton	

PUBLIC WEIGHERS OF MERCHANDISE

Edward Haskell	Walter L. Hale, Jr.
Algot L. Osterman	Harry R. Deming
Fred Carter	Clayton F. Lyon
Wilbur Stavely	

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER (3 Years)  
DAVID MARTIN

On motion of Charles H. Black, it was voted to instruct the Town Clerk, to cast one (1) Ballot and declare the nominees elected.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

In regard to the Bingham Survey:—Of All Town Departments.

This matter was taken up by the Finance Committee primarily to provide a complete investigation of conditions existing in the Welfare Department, and Soldiers Relief, on the Question of cost for this Survey we found that the Welfare investigation would be the chief cost and a survey of conditions in the other Department would add a very little to the expense, consequently we advised a survey of all Departments which was voted by the Town.

The Welfare Department was at this time in a most deplorable condition. Records of case histories were not complete or missing altogether, reports to the State were not made as requested and much money was being lost to the Town by lack of proper notification to other Cities and Towns of aid rendered persons who had no settlement here, a proper checkup was not being made on cases through lack of visits at regular intervals.

Aid rendered in the form of grocery orders and fuel supplies was not handled in an economical manner and was costing much more than was necessary. This Town has paid the past year over \$12,000 in settlement of old bills due other Cities and Towns, quite a part of which could proper notifications and checkups have been made, been avoided.

The present condition of the Welfare Department is very much improved. An office room has been provided and furnished for their use, a paid agent for the board has been appointed, and a trained Social Worker has been hired. These are full time workers, but their combined salaries do not equal what was paid to the Board members in 1940 for travel and clerical expenses for a very inferior administration.

All of these improvements were recommended in the Bingham report and there are others relating to the purchase of supplies which may be adopted later at the discretion of the Board of Welfare.

At the request of the Board of Selectmen and this Board an investigation was made by the department of State Aid and Pensions of all Soldier's Relief cases and a complete report made to the Selectmen of each case with their findings and recommendations thereon which has resulted in a much improved condition in this department.

The Police Department has benefitted by the suggestions made in the survey, confusion of authority has been eliminated and general conditions have been improved.

Recommendations and findings as presented in our 1941 report will in most cases be helpful if adopted.

In conclusion it is our opinion that the improvement in general conditions in the Welfare Department alone are worth more to the Town than the total cost of the Survey as made and will result in sufficient savings in a very short time to offset the cost of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

FINANCE COMMITTEE,

By Herbert C. Barrows, Chairman.

Mr. Herbert C. Barrows made the above report

On motion of Frank W. Dayton it was voted that the report of the committee be accepted.

Article 4. On motion of Herbert C. Barrows it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the several and respected sums as recommended by the Finance Committee, each item to be taken up and voted on separately, subject to amendment.

The following sums were raised and appropriated under this article:

#### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen:

Salaries .....	\$ 650.00
Expenses .....	200.00

Town Accountant:

Salary .....	1,000.00
Expenses .....	75.00

Treasurer:

Foreclosurers .....	800.00
Expenses .....	525.00
Salary .....	1,000.00

On an amendment offered by Paul D. Emmons,  
it was voted to increase the salary from \$800  
to \$1,000.00.

Tax Collector:

Expenses .....	1,000.00
Salary .....	1,600.00

On an amendment offered by Paul D. Emmons,  
it was voted to increase the salary from  
\$1,500.00 to \$1,600.00.

Assessors:

Expenses .....	300.00
Salaries .....	1,700.00

Finance Committee .....	100.00
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Town Counsel

Expenses .....	325.00
Salary .....	300.00

Town Clerk:

Expenses .....	60.00
Salary .....	400.00

Election and Registration:

Salaries and Expenses .....	800.00
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Town Hall .....	2,000.00
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Planning Board .....	50.00
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\$ 12,885.00

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

### Police Department:

Expenses .....	\$ 1,200.00
Salaries and wages .....	10,320.00
Ambulance .....	300.00
Constable .....	50.00

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\$11,870.00

### Fire Department:

Expenses .....	\$ 1,600.00
Salaries and wages .....	7,350.00

Hydrant Rental .....	5,720.00
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### Building Inspection

Expenses .....	50.00
Salary .....	300.00

Board of Appeals .....	50.00
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### Sealers of Weights and Measurers

Expenses .....	80.00
Salary .....	250.00

Elm Leaf Beetle .....	500.00
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Moth Suppression .....	1,500.00
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Tree Warden .....	800.00
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Health and Sanitation .....	2,000.00
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Public Nurse .....	1,000.00
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\$ 33,070.00

## HIGHWAYS, ROADS AND BRIDGES

Highways, General .....	\$ 20,000.00
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Chapter 90, Maintenance .....	1,000.00
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Road Machinery Account .....	500.00
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Street Lights .....	7,650.00
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\$ 29,150.00

## CHARITIES AND AID

Board of Public Welfare (Administration) .....	\$ 2,000.00
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Relief .....	8,000.00
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Aid to Dependent Children .....	4,800.00
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Old Age Assistance (Administration) .....	1,000.00
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Old Age Assistance .....	24,000.00
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State Aid .....	500.00
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Military Aid .....	100.00
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Soldiers' Relief .....	3,000.00
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\$ 43,400.00



## EDUCATION

Schools .....	\$ 81,500.00
Vocational Training .....	500.00
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	\$ 82,000.00

## MISCELLANEOUS

Library .....	\$ 1,000.00
Parks .....	350.00
Unclassified .....	1,000.00
Fire Insurance .....	1,000.00
Cemetery	

On an amendment offered by Louis T. McMahon, it was voted that the Town appropriate \$2,750.00, for the Cemetery Department, \$2,000.00, to be raised by taxes and \$750.00 to be transferred from Cemetery Account. .... \$ 2,000.00

Reserve Fund .....	\$ 750.00	\$ 5,000.00
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		\$ 10,350.00

## WATER DEPARTMENT

On motion of Herbert S. Barrows, it was voted to appropriate the receipts of the Water Department, \$7,688.25 to be applied to the interest Account and \$7,000.00 to Maturing Department.

## INTEREST

On an amendment offered by Herbert C. Barrows, it was voted to strike out the figure \$1,700 and substitute there for the figure \$2,011.75 to be raised by taxation and the further sum of \$7,688.25, to be transferred from Water Department Revenue.

## MATURING DEPARTMENT

On an amendment offered by Herbert C. Barrows, it was voted that the sum of \$16,200, be raised by taxation and the further sum of \$7,000 be transferred from Water Revenue.

Total amount to be raised by taxation under Article 4..... \$229,066.75

Article 5. On motion of John D. Cooke, it was voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1943. and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any

note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 6. On motion of Charles H. Black, it was voted that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), be raised and appropriated to pay for effecting insurance providing idemnity for the protection of the officers and employees of the Highway, Police and Cemetery Departments, of the Town against loss by reason of their liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries including death, at any time resulting therefrom, caused by the operation within the scope of their official duties of employment of motor vehicles owned by the Town to an amount not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) on account of injury to or death of one person, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, Chapter 40, of the General Laws as amended.

Article 7. On motion of J. Turner Hood, it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00), for the observance of Memorial Day and that the Moderator appoint a Committee which shall have charge of such observance.

The Moderator appointed the following committee:

John H. Simpson, G. A. R.; Ernest C. Cail, American Legion; Edwin J. Twomey, American Legion; Justice Balser, American Legion; Louis Kennedy, V. F. W.; Elizabeth Kelley, American Legion Auxiliary; Lena Cavanaugh, V. F. W. Auxiliary; Paul W. Dayton, American Legion; John H. Doyle, American Legion; Joseph B. McMahon, American Legion; Herbert Higganbotham, V. F. W.; Howard Cates American Legion, V. F. W.; Anna Barry, American Legion Auxiliary; Evelyn Gordon, V. F. W. Auxiliary; Honorary member, Susan T. Esler, Past State President, American Legion Auxiliary.

Article 8. On motion of Charles H. Black, it was voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell at Public Auction in the evening, properties taken by the Town under Tax Title foreclosure procedure, and be authorized to execute all documents necessary to carry out the purposes of this vote, provided however, that before any sales are made due notice of the time and place of sale shall be given by advertising in the local paper and Lowell Sun, at least fourteen (14) days before the sale and deeds executed hereunder must be recorded within twenty (20) days of their execution.

Article 9. On motion of Frank W. Dayton, it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500.00), for the purchase of one (1) truck for the use of the Highway Department, also authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase the same.

Article 10. On motion of Walter G. Buckle, it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Five Dollars (\$1,325.00), to pay Welfare bills, due other cities and Towns, incurred in previous years.

Article 11. On motion of Charles H. Black, it was voted that the sum of One Hundred Dollars and Eighty-three cents, (\$100.83), be raised and appropriated to pay bills incurred by Departments of the Town in the year 1942.

Police Department .....	\$61.83
Health and Sanitation .....	\$39.00

Article 12. On motion of John D. Cooke, it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), the money to be expended under the direction of the 4-H Town Committee serving in co-operation with the Middlesex County Extension Service under the provisions of Section 40 to 45, Chapter 129, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 13. On motion of Steven Colucci, it was voted that the Board of Public Welfare be and it is hereby authorized to appoint one of its members as agent for the Board and that the salary of such agent (which shall be the only compensation received by him from any source for services performed as such agent) be and the same is hereby fixed at the annual amount of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500), to be paid from and in conformity with the appropriation voted for the use of said Board

Article 14. On motion of Charles H. Black, it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred (\$700) Dollars, plus unexpended balance of 1942, for the purpose of Civilian Defense and for the protection of the people and property in the Town as set forth in and authorized by Chapter 487, of the Acts of 1941.

Article 15. On motion of August G. MacLeod, it was voted that the Town purchase the so-called Roman property on Church Street, consisting of about eighteen acres of land with buildings thereon, for school purposes, and that the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000), be and the same is hereby transferred from excess and deficiency account and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen in consummating such purchase on behalf of the Town, and that the said property, after its acquisition by the Town, shall be in charge of the School Committee.

Article 16. On motion of August G. MacLeod, it was voted that the Town authorize the School Committee to sell to the United States

Government or to any agency or Department thereof, such number of typewriters, the property of the School Department of the Town, as in the discretion of the Committee can be spared from said Department.

Article 17. On motion of Frank W. Dayton, it was voted that the Town accept Brand Avenue from Richmond Street to Baker Street, a distance of 1800 feet, more or less, as laid out by the Board of Selectmen as the Board of Survey.

Article 18. On motion of John D. Cooke, it was voted that the Town accept Grant Street from Federal Street to land of the Boston & Maine Railroad, a distance of 780 feet, more or less, as laid out by the Board of Selectmen as the Board of Survey.

Article 19. On motion of Charles H. Black, it was voted that the Town accept Wilson Street from Federal Street to land of the Boston & Maine Railroad, a distance of 760 feet, more or less, as laid out by the Board of Selectmen as the Board of Survey.

Article 20. On motion of Frank W. Dayton, it was voted that the Town accept Lincoln Street from Federal Street to land of the Boston & Maine Railroad, a distance of 720 feet, more or less, as laid out by the Board of Selectmen as the Board of Survey.

Article 21. On motion of John D. Cooke, it was voted that the Town accept Pershing Street from Federal Street to land of the Boston & Maine Railroad, a distance of 720 feet, more or less, as laid out by the Board of Selectmen as the Board of Survey.

Article 22. On motion of Frank W. Dayton, it was voted that the Town accept Liberty Street from Federal Street to land of the Boston & Maine, a distance of 740 feet, more or less, as laid out by the Board of Selectmen as the Board of Survey.

Article 23. On motion of Charles H. Black, it was voted that the Town accept Mackey Road from Federal Street to a distance of 250 feet, more or less, as laid out by the Board of Selectmen as the Board of Survey.

On motion of Frank W. Dayton, it was voted to adjourn.

There were 127 registered voters present.

Attest:

WILLIAM S. CAVANAUGH,  
Town Clerk.

## VITAL STATISTICS

### BIRTHS

Number of Births recorded in 1943 .....116

### MARRIAGES

Number of Marriages recorded in 1943 .....57

### DEATHS

Number of Deaths recorded in 1943 .....62

Persons 70 years and over who died during the year 1943:

	Years	Months
Annette Brown .....	81	6
Mary E. Cole .....	85	7
John W. Dailey .....	78	0
Ira W. Davis .....	79	7
Josephine Dillaway .....	70	0
Anne D. Doucette .....	100	9
Cyrus B. Fetredge .....	83	9
Mary E. Gavin .....	72	2
Emily R. Hamilton .....	74	0
Bessie L. Hilton .....	82	8
Fannie E. Howe .....	81	4
Ralph G. Howe .....	79	5
Clara Henderson .....	73	0
Lizzie F. Keyes .....	81	3
Abbie S. Mason .....	81	10
Margaret A. McAndrews .....	78	0
Adelia C. McPhee .....	73	1
Charles J. Nichols .....	78	1
Abbie J. Reilley .....	73	6
August Rouleau .....	83	0
Charles J. Sargent .....	80	2
John H. Simpson .....	94	4
Georgia A. Stanton .....	76	3
Mabel W. Wiley .....	75	9
Clifford Wilson .....	72	0
George L. Taylor .....	75	7

#### Report of Burials for Wildwood Cemetery for the Year 1943.

Wilmington residents died in Wilmington .....	13
Wilmington residents died elsewhere .....	18
Non-residents buried in Wilmington .....	15
Total .....	46

ERNEST W. EAMES,

Superintendent.

### Money Paid Town Treasurer on Dog License Account

Whole number licensed.....	332
Males 246                      Females 32                      Spayed 54	
By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$ 690.00

### Report of Division of Fisheries and Game Licenses

Whole number issued .....	269
Resident Citizen Fishing .....	93
Resident Citizen Hunting .....	74
Resident Citizen Sporting .....	53
Resident Minors and Women's Fishing .....	25
Resident Citizen Trapping (Minors) .....	1
Resident Citizen Trapping .....	4
Resident Citizen Sporting (Free) .....	14
Resident Military and Naval Sporting (Free) .....	3
Duplicate licenses .....	2

### Compiled Records of Births, Marriages and Deaths

Number on hand January 1, 1943 .....	93
Number on hand January 1, 1944 .....	93

These records are on sale by a vote of the Selectmen at \$1.00 per copy. (Book stores are allowed to purchase these copies at 60 cents each) and may be obtained from the Town Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM S. CAVANAUGH,

Town Clerk.

The Town Clerk will furnish to parents, householders, physicians and midwives applying therefor, blanks for returns of Births as required by law.



# JURY LIST—TOWN OF WILMINGTON

(Revised 1943)

Name	Occupation	Address
David Anderson	Leather Worker	Park Street
Thomas Bailey	Retired	Main Street
Charles A. Baldwin	Ass't. Stevedore	Jones Avenue
James D. Blake	Accountant	Middlesex Avenue
Fred F. Cain	Supervisor	Clark Street
James W. Castine	Leather Worker	Columbia Street
John W. Cooke	Retired	Aldrich Road
Ernest M. Crispo	Stone Mason	Hopkins Street
Joseph Cunningham	Machinist	Off Glen Rd.
William P. Curtin	Editor	Glen Road
Lawrence H. Cushing	Draftsman	Jones Avenue
Paul W. Dayton	Electrician	Burlington Ave.
Philip F. Denner	Supervisor	Chestnut St.
Clarence W. Doucette	Engineer	Ballardvale St.
Ernest H. Downing	Shipwright	Adams Street
John H. Doyle	Currier	Middlesex Ave.
Adrian A. Durkee	Barber	Middlesex Ave.
Ernest W. Eames	Laundryman	Concord Street
Talbot Emery	Shipper	Lake Street
William Ferrick	Shipper	Adams Street
John J. Finnerty	Manager	Off Beacon St.
Walter Fitch	Sales Representative	Hillside Way
John R. Fleming	Truckman	Off Salem St.
Edwin Forrest	Stock Esp.	Silverhurst Ave.
Clarence Gardiner	Mechanic	Middlesex Ave.
Harry E. Goodearl	Salesman	Federal St.
Walter Goss	Clerk	Cottage St.
William S. Hale	Fireman	Columbia St.
Ralph Henderson	Mechanic	Woburn St.
Herbert Higginbotham	Security Salesman	Chestnut St.
Gilbert T. Hill	Janitor	Lowell St.
Arthur G. Kidder	Towerman	Thurston Ave.
Hans J. Larson	Ironworker	Glen Road
Lloyd S. Lewis	Salesman	Middlesex Ave.
George G. McKittrick	Machinist	Eames St.
Louis A. Munson	Foreman	Church Street
H. Oliver Newcomb	Supt.	Middlesex Ave.
Gardiner I. Richie	Clerk	Columbia St.
Paul E. Todd	Engineer	Chestnut St.
Lewis J. Waterman	Mechanic	Adams Street
Robert Waters	Bank Clerk	Fairview Ave.
James G. Watters	Laborer	Off Federal St.
Edward Welling	Supply Officer	Off Glen Rd.

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Wilmington, Mass., February 8, 1944.

The following is the report of the Board of Assessors for the year 1943:

## VALUATION OF TAXABLE PROPERTY AS OF JANUARY 1, 1943.

Real Estate .....	\$4,111,260.00
Personal Property .....	373,505.00

## RECAPITULATION

Real Estate Tax .....	\$ 159,516.66
Personal Property Tax .....	14,492.02
Poll Tax .....	3,192.00
Excise Tax .....	5,361.41
Dec. Commitment (R. E.) .....	97.00
Total Appropriation .....	249,784.52
Appropriation from available funds .....	17,550.00
State Tax .....	3,700.00
State Parks and Reservations .....	129.33
County Tax .....	5,264.37
Tuberculosis Hospital .....	1,284.60
Amount of Overlay .....	6,418.86
Overlay Deficits .....	2,433.87
Gross amount to be raised .....	286,565.55

Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds .....	\$ 109,364.87
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Total Amount Levied on Polls and Property and committed to the collector in 1943 .....	177,200.68
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\$ 286,565.55

Tax Rate per \$1000 for 1943 .....	38.80
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## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY, JANUARY 1, 1943.

### REAL ESTATE

Water Dept. Buildings Standpipe Equipment and Land.....	\$ 416,000.00
School Houses and Lots .....	138,450.00
Town Hall and Fire Equipment .....	7,500.00



Town Park .....	4,500.00
Cemetery and Buildings .....	23,000.00
Library Building and Land .....	2,000.00
Fire Engine House and Land .....	2,750.00
Moth House and Land .....	700.00
Common and Flag Staff .....	2,500.00
Highway Building and Land .....	5,000.00
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	\$ 602,400.00

#### PERSONAL PROPERTY

Highway Trucks Machinery, Etc. ....	5,000.00
Safes, Furniture, Etc. in Town Hall .....	2,000.00
Fire Trucks and Equipment .....	10,000.00
Sprayers and Fixtures .....	100.00
Sealers of Weights and Measures Equipment .....	2,000.00
Police Equipment .....	3,000.00
Town Ambulance .....	2,000.00
School Supplies, Furniture, Etc. ....	9,500.00
Furniture Water Department .....	500.00
Library Contents .....	2,800.00
Cemetery Trucks, Tools, Etc. ....	1,000.00

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## John H. Simpson

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John H. Simpson, the oldest citizen of the Town of Wilmington, the last Civil War Veteran in this section, and, for many years, the proud possessor of the "Post Cane" which is given by "The Boston Post" to the oldest male citizens in New England Towns, departed this life on November 5, 1943, at the age of 94.

"Uncle John," as he was kindly called by both young and old, was born in North Reading, Massachusetts, on June 28, 1849, the son of William and Phoebe Kenny Simpson.

At the age of fourteen, on December 8, 1863, he left his work as a shoemaker to enlist in the Civil War. He served in the 1st Battalion, Heavy Artillery, Company D, as a guarder of deserters and of prisoners of war. On September 15, 1865, at Fort Independence, Boston, he was honorably discharged from the Army.

About seventy-five years ago, he took up residence in the Town of Wilmington, and entered the employ of The Bond Cracker Company. Later, he worked in a tannery and was a special officer and a fire warden for the Town of Wilmington. When the North Reading Sanatorium opened in 1909, under the supervision of Doctor Carl C. MacCorison, "Uncle John" drove the team to and from the North Wilmington Station to deliver and collect mail for the personnel and patients of the Sanatorium. He did this work for a period of ten years until his retirement at the age of 70.

He was a charter member of Post 194, G. A. R., of Reading, and was the last of the four members of Post 194 which disbanded in 1933. He enjoyed having been an Honorary Member of the Wilmington Legion Post 136, and of V. F. W. Nee-Ellsworth Post 2458. Also, for several years, he was a member of Wilmington Friendship Lodge of Masons.

In November, 1879, he married Anna L. Swain, who passed on in 1923. His surviving relatives are grandnieces and grandnephews.

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JOHN H. SIMPSON



## REPORT OF TOWN COUNSEL

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

In accordance with the requirements of the Town By-Laws, I submit herewith my report as Town Counsel covering the year 1943.

A. On January 1, there were pending the following actions by or against the Town (exclusive of actions in which the Town was merely summoned as trustee and in which it had no interest, and of tax lien foreclosure proceedings in the Land Court):

**City of Lowell v. Town of Wilmington, District Court of Lowell.** (Action of contract by City of Lowell to recover the sum of \$275.96 for special vocational training of certain pupils.)

**City of Lowell v. Town of Wilmington, District Court of Lowell.** (Action of contract by City of Lowell to recover \$657.77 plus interest for aid furnished in a public welfare case.)

**City of Lowell v. Town of Wilmington, District Court of Lowell.** (Action of contract by City of Lowell to recover \$721.90 for aid furnished in a public welfare case.)

**Town of Wilmington v. City of Cambridge, Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex.** (Action of contract by Town of Wilmington to recover for aid furnished in public welfare cases: ad damnum \$400.)

**Town of Wilmington v. Josephine Zanotti et al, Middlesex Superior Court.** (Bill in equity to reach proceeds of fire insurance policy in satisfaction of claim for unpaid taxes.)

**Town of Wilmington v. Certain Defendants, Middlesex Superior Court.** (Bill in equity under the provisions of G. L. Chap. 117, Secs. 6-11 inclusive.)

**Town of Wilmington v. A Certain Defendant, Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex.** (Action of contract under G. L. Chap. 117, Section 5.)

B. During the year 1943 the following new actions were brought against the Town:

**City of Cambridge v. Town of Wilmington, Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex.** (Action of contract by City of Cambridge to recover \$1,276.35 for aid furnished in public welfare cases.)

Jacob Levine & Sons v. Town of Wilmington, Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex. (Action of contract to recover burial expense.)

During the year 1943 the Town brought no new actions.

C. During the year 1943 the following actions by or against the Town were settled or disposed of:

The two actions of City of Cambridge v. Town of Wilmington, and Town of Wilmington v. City of Cambridge, listed above as pending on January 1, 1943, were disposed of by agreement of "neither party" in each instance, and the exchange of checks for the amounts owed by Cambridge and Wilmington respectively, as agreed between their respective welfare departments.

The case of Town of Wilmington v. Certain Defendants, in the Middlesex Superior Court, was disposed of, after trial, by a finding and decree in favor of the plaintiff, requiring weekly payments by certain of the defendants.

D. Compensation was received by the Town Counsel in said matters and in all other matters during the year as follows:

Compensation .....	\$ 400.00
Disbursements .....	36.79

(The above amounts were entirely on account of services rendered and disbursements paid in the calendar year 1942.)

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP B. BUZZELL,

Town Counsel.

## WILMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Herewith I submit my report for the Wilmington Police Department for the year 1943.

As you can see from my tabulated report the Police Department, in comparison to the previous year of 1942, has made 9 less arrests but has investigated 160 more complaints. It has been very noticeable, and possibly due to the exigency of war days, that many of these complaints concern juvenile delinquency. The policy of this Department has always been to arrest and produce a minor before the court only as a last resort. I, as Chief of Police, and my officers all agree that a court record against a juvenile is a tremendous deterrent in later years. Consequently, many of these complaints which concerned broken windows and petty larceny by children have been handled by our own probationary department and without having to resort to arrest and conviction by the court.

There have been a number of outstanding cases during this past year, the most prominent of which was the breaking up of a stolen shoes racket operating within and without the confines of our town. With the permission of the court, over 400 pairs of confiscated shoes were donated to the local Red Cross and the operator was sent to the House of Correction. Several other heinous crimes were committed and the perpetrators are now serving prison sentences.

The Police Department has tried to keep the infractions of the motor vehicle laws to a minimum and I am glad to be able to report that there have been no deaths caused this year by motor vehicles. There appears to be a general compliance with regard to the Governor's order regulating war-time speed limits but now and then a violator is apprehended. At the present time the courts deal very severely with them. Consequently, if the breach of the law has not been too serious, and it is a first offense, we have made it a practise to make out a courtesy card which states the offense and contains a warning to the operator of the vehicle. I have found that in most cases this system has been extremely successful and the offender has a new respect not only for the law he has broken but also for the Town of Wilmington.



Due to the fact that the Department has lost 11 men to the Armed Forces, I have had various members of the Special Police giving of their time where and when they could. The group of men formerly called the Auxiliary Police were all appointed special officers in order that they might be allowed to assume the duties of regular policemen when needed. This has been of inestimable value not only to myself but to the Town as a whole. I would like to stress again the fact that these men generously give of their time at no expense whatever to the Town. We have continued to hold our Thursday night meetings throughout the year. At each meeting we discuss our mutual problems and seek to find how we may better serve our community. This organization, like others throughout the Town has on several occasions been of assistance to the various servicemen's committees and we are always ready and willing to further a worthy cause.

Feeling it to be a great public need, I have requested a new police radio. Our old radio was made obsolete when the State Police, with whom we were connected, changed its frequency and installed new equipment. This made our radio unusable.

The purchase of this new radio, though approved, has been delayed by the fact of war-time restriction and priorities but should be ready for use in the near future. At the coming Town Meeting I am going to ask the purchase of a new Police car, in which this radio can be installed, as the present car, having given us excellent service, is in need of many expensive repairs. We must remember that the police cruising car is in constant service twenty-four hours a day and must be in such condition to render immediate emergency.

Again this year our Town Ambulance has been used to great advantage. I sincerely feel that it has saved many lives and the Police Department is still grateful to the Town for its purchase. We of the department, and those for whom it has been used, appreciatively realize the excellent service it has rendered. We have been glad to extend service to our neighboring communities in any emergency. For the past year we have had 189 ambulance cases.

I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to you as the Board of Selectmen, for your hearty cooperation with the Police Department. I also acknowledge gratefully the work of the members of the department, including the two police women appointed this last year. I also wish to express my appreciation to the citizens of the Town and to the various Departments of the Town for their cooperation.

Respectfully yours,

HARRY J. AINSWORTH,

Chief of Police.



## ARRESTS

Number of Arrests .....	106
Males .....	100
Females .....	6
Residents .....	43
Non Residents .....	63

## CAUSES OF ARRESTS

Assault and Battery .....	3
Attempted Rape .....	1
Breaking and Entering .....	5
Delinquent Children .....	4
Default .....	1
Drunkenness .....	52
Deserter from U. S. Army .....	1
Hunting without a License .....	2
Larceny .....	9
Neglected Children .....	1
Non Support .....	4
Rape .....	1
Receiving Stolen Property .....	1
Stubborn Children .....	1
Street Litter .....	4
Violation of Motor Vehicle Laws:	
Operating under the Influence .....	2
Speeding .....	6
Failing to Stop for an Officer .....	1
Failing to Slow Down .....	1
Operating an Unregistered Car .....	1
Operating an Uninsured Car .....	1
Failing to show Officer a License .....	1
Failing to show Officer a Registration .....	1
Failing to Slow Down at an Intersection .....	1
Leaving the scene of an Accident .....	1

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## DISPOSITION OF CASES

Released .....	10
Filed .....	6
Discharged by Court .....	1
Suspended Sentence .....	15
House of Correction .....	4
To Officers of other Cities and Towns .....	8
To Officers of the United States Army .....	1

Fined .....	21
Fines Imposed .....	\$149.00
Probation .....	9
State Prison .....	1

#### MISCELLANEOUS

Accidents Reported .....	30
Persons Injured:	
Males—24	
Females—8	
Total .....	32
Automobile Licenses Revoked and Suspended .....	18
Automobile Registrations Revoked .....	12
Buildings Found Open .....	15
Dogs Disposed of:	
Males—30	
Females—22	
Total .....	52
Complaints .....	729
Complaints Investigated .....	729
Emergency Messages Delivered .....	93
Persons Found .....	14
Permits to Work on Lord's Day .....	10
Number of Town Warrants Posted .....	10
Number of Notices Posted for Registrars of Voters .....	6
Property Found and Recovered .....	\$12,136.00
Transfer of Automobiles .....	244
Number of Officers detailed for Public Assemblages .....	50
Warning for Violation of Motor Vehicle Laws .....	85
Warrants and Summons Served .....	72

## REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

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The cemetery, like other departments, was affected during 1943 by the difficulty of securing labor and materials. During the year every effort was made to keep up the appearances, but there were many conditions which the board would like to have corrected but which were impossible because of the present conditions.

We were unable to fertilize the cemetery as has been the custom. We hope to be able to continue the dressing of the soil next year. Due to the light soil it is necessary to fertilize each year, as otherwise the grass will run out.

While there will be difficulties during 1944 due to these same conditions, it will be our endeavor to keep the cemetery looking as well as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS T. McMAHON, Chairman.

GUY NICHOLS,

DAVID MARTIN,

Commissioners.

# REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD AND PARK COMMISSION

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Planning Board incurred no expense in the past year.

The Park Commission in continuance with a precedent of last year met at the town hall the first Monday of each month. These meetings are open to the public.

The Memorial Parks were made presentable for Memorial Day services and some maintainence was carried on for the remainder of the season.

Due to inadequate transportation and other obvious conditions the sporting programs of the high school and towns teams were cancelled as far as the Town Park was concerned.

This department was pleased to have assisted the recent War benefit drives held on the Common.

The common was made ready and the bleachers were erected for these drives.

We wish to express our appreciation to Mr. Downs and Mr. Pike for their co-operation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE H. CUSHING,

STANLEY CADY

HERBERT R. BOUTWELL,

Planning Board and Park Commission.

## REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year 1943.

	Sealed	Adj.	Condemned
Platform Scales over 10,000 lbs .....	1	1	0
Plaform Scales 100 to 5000 lbs. ....	11	4	0
Counter Scales under 100 lbs. ....	3	3	0
Spring Scales 100 to 5000 lbs, .....	3	0	0
Spring Scales under 100 lbs. ....	21	14	0
Beam Scales 100 to 5000 lbs .....	1	0	0
Beam Scales under 100 lbs. ....	4	1	0
Computing Scales under 100 lbs .....	13	3	0
Personal Weighing Scales .....	3	2	0
Avoidupois .....	27	0	0
Apothecary .....	4	0	0
Liquid Measures .....	9	0	0
Meter 1 inch Inlet .....	27	13	0
Grease Measuring Pumps .....	5	5	0
Yard Sticks .....	1	0	0
Gasoline Measuring Pumps .....	27	13	0

Expenses of Department as follows:

Appropriation .....	\$350.00
Total Expenses .....	348.24

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL P. PIKE,

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Ceiling Fees collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer .... \$40.75

The following are weights of Commodities for immediate delivery.

	Tested	Correct	—Incorrect—	
			Under	Over
Beans .....	27	27		
Bread .....	40	40		
Coal in Paper Bags .....	10	10		
Coke in Paper Bags .....	11	11		
Coal in Transit .....	4	4		
Confectionery .....	6	6		
Dry Commodities .....	12	12		4
Flour .....	12	12		
Fruits and Vegetables .....	20	20		2
Lard .....	3	3		
Potatoes .....	15	15		
Number of Licenses Inspected .....			4	
Hawkers and Peddlers Seals .....			5	
Junk Dealers .....			5	
Clinical Thermometers .....			6	
Retests of Gasoline devices after sealing .....			9	

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL P. PIKE

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

January, 2, 1944.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Wilmington, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report for the year of 1943 as Inspector of Slaughtering.

Number of Hogs Inspected .....	4
Number of Hogs Passed Inspection .....	3
Number of Hogs Condemned .....	1

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH B. ODIORNE,

Inspector of Slaughtering

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

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Wilmington, Mass., Jan. 17, 1944.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Dear Sirs:

I hereby submit my report for the year 1943.

The total number of permits granted was 35.

The total estimated cost of construction is \$10,835.00.

Permit fees amounting to \$35.00 were turned over to the Town Treasurer.

I wish at this time to thank the Police Department for their kind co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTOPHER J. BOUSFIELD,

Inspector of Buildings..

# REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report of the Wilmington Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1943.

The manual force of this Department consists of three permanent men, Chief, Assistant Chief and one permanent man, forty-six call men at Central Station and fourteen call men at North Wilmington.

There are seven men who are still in the Armed Forces of the United States, Joseph F. McManus, Thomas P. Delaronde, Joseph Grimes, Stanley Colburn, Charles D. Sumner, Elliott B. Blaisdell and Rupert W. Deming.

Permits have been issued for the storage of 1710 gallons No. 1 fuel oil in conjunction with 22 range burners. The total storage of fuel oil in dwellings to date is 56,702 gallons in conjunction with 148 automatic burners and 965 range burners.

This department has responded to 201 calls of which 112 were alarms, 89 stills. We had three Out of Town calls and five false.

There has been twenty-six hydrants used during this year.

Valuation of property endangered by fire.....	\$ 64,316.00
Damage by fire .....	21,475.00
Feet of hose used 2½ in. ....	13,300
Feet of hose used, 1½ in .....	25,950
Feet of Booster hose .....	8,750

## Mileage registered per Truck:

Mack .....	659-4
La France .....	
Ford No. 4.....	616-9
Chevrolet .....	1,200-

Respectfully submittel,

EDWIN L. DAY, Chief



## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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The detail of the activities of the Library are shown in the report of the Librarian.

The Library is experiencing increasing difficulties in having books returned. The Town offers a free Library to its citizens and the only obligations placed upon users are to be careful of the books and to return them in accordance with Library rules.

When a book is returned it should be cancelled by the Librarian, otherwise it will still be charged against the borrower. We ask the co-operation of those who make use of the Library to respect the rule of returning of books as there may be others waiting to read the book which you have not returned.

EDWARD N. EAMES, Chairman,

PETER NEILSON,

HELEN H. BUCK,

CHARLOTTE GLOVER,

PHILIP B. BUZZELL,

LOUIS T. McMAHON,

Trustees of the Library Board.

## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

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To the Honorable Board of Trustees:

I herewith submit my report as Librarian for the year 1943:

Books purchased during year .....	114
Books given to the library .....	95
Books taken out during year .....	12,648
Magazines taken out during year .....	679
New borrowers .....	96
Amount received in fines .....	\$76.33

There is no improvement in regard to overdue books, for which notices have been sent to the borrowers. As there is a constant demand for most of these, the return of same would be very much appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

MIRIAM H. WARE,

Librarian.

## REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS

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During the year 1943 there were 19 additional services installed.

Beginning January, 1944, the department established a new procedure in billing. Instead of monthly bills being mailed, a coupon book was mailed with coupons provided for each month of the year. With each monthly payment a coupon is detached and mailed with the remittance.

Again we wish to stress the necessity of consumers paying their water bills monthly, or if desired, several months in advance. Your cooperation in this respect is most helpful.

The statistics of the department follow.

Respectfully submitted,

CALEB S. HARRIMAN, Chairman,

ALDEN N. EAMES,

LOUIS T. McMAHON,

Water Commissioners.

### WATER DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

#### Water Consumption

Year	Gal. Pumped	Ave. per day
1939 .....	99,656,000	273,024
1940 .....	81,881,100	224,030
1941 .....	99,572,800	272,402
1942 .....	88,208,200	241,666
1943 .....	90,528,500	248,023

#### Fuel Oil Consumption

	Gal. Used	Cost	Per Mil.	Per Mil.
1939 .....	8850.8	\$377.22	88.8	3.78
1940 .....	7035.2	353.01	86.0	4.32
1941 .....	8443.9	465.58	84.8	4.68
1942 .....	6924.4	396.43	78.8	4.50
1943 .....	6891.7	479.57	76.1	5.29

### Lubricating Oil Used

	Gal. Used	Cost	Per Mil.	Per Mil.
1939 .....	82.00	\$49.20	.82	.49
1940 .....	56.00	33.60	.68	.41
1941 .....	104.25	62.55	.62	.73
1942 .....	68.80	40.80	.46	.76
1943 .....	74.00	44.40	.49	.71

### Oil Used in Heater

	Gal.	Cost
1939 .....	6668.00	\$301.97
1940 .....	5844.00	274.43
1941 .....	4824.00	258.07
1942 .....	4160.00	236.79
1943 .....	5031.00	326.85

### Accounts Receivable

#### Service Accounts:

1940 .....	\$ 65.58	
1943 .....	13.47	
	<hr/>	\$ 79.05
1941 Street Mains .....		120.18
Water Rates .....		2,105.60
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		\$ 2,304.83

#### Total Cost of Construction:

Cost of Water System Dec. 31, 1942 .....	\$460,304.02
Services .....	1,088.12
Street Mains .....	343.00
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	\$461,735.14

# **REPORT OF THE MOTH SUPERINTENDENT AND TREE WARDEN**

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To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my Annual Report as Moth Superintendent and Tree Warden.

## **MOTH DEPARTMENT**

The Moth Department has sprayed all street shade trees with arsenate of lead and spreader for the gypsy moth, seedling moth and tent caterpillar and also creosoted gypsy moth egg clusters. We also sprayed twice for the elm leaf beetle and tangle foot some elm trees for elm slugs and elm beetle.

## **TREE DEPARTMENT**

The Tree Department removed a lot of broken limbs, also eight large trees. This work was done as long as finances permitted.

On account of the wind storm last fall we have a lot of broken limbs to remove, also some split tops of trees. This work will have to be done in order to eliminate danger to the public passing on our highways.

The trees referred to in last year's report as dying from the elm leaf beetle are coming along alright, and will be given additional treatment this year

Details of expenditures will be found in the report of the Town Accountant.

Respectfully yours,

**JOHN W. BABINE,**

Moth Superintendent and Tree Warden.

# REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Wilmington, Mass.:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report for the year 1943 as Inspector of Animals.

Number of dog bites reported .....	26
Number of dogs showing physical signs of rabies .....	0
Number of dogs submitted to laboratory examination.....	1

## Laboratory Report

Positive .....	0
Negative .....	1
Suspicious .....	0

All biting dogs were quarantined for the period of time prescribed by law.

Number of dogs quarantined .....	30
Number of dogs released from quarantine .....	30

## Inspection of Domestic Animals and Premises Where Animals are Kept

By order of the Director of the Division of Livestock Disease Control, no inspection of livestock or premises where livestock is kept was made during the year. Special work was assigned to me from time to time by the Director.

In the month of June a census of milking age cows was taken for the Department of Agriculture.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH B. ODIORNE,

Inspector of Animals.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE

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This is a report of the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service in the Town of Wilmington for 1943.

Because of war conditions, the Staff of the Extension Service had to devote a great deal of time this year to overhead organization work pertaining to machinery rationing, food distribution orders, farm labor and other regulations, as issued by our Government, and establishing the number of war units on certain farms for Selective Service Boards.

An attempt was made to see to it that these regulations were explained and applied to local conditions.

Wilmington poultrymen have been sent information on price ceilings, the feed situation, and other emergency policies; also they have been sent circular material on up-to-date production practices. They have been advised concerning improving ranges, disease control and reducing wastes. Several were visited concerning specific problems.

Judges were furnished the Wilmington Grange Fair. This was one of the largest fairs in the county and they are to be commended on their excellent classes of all kinds of vegetables.

Women's Extension Work was carried on mainly in North Wilmington with Mrs. Babine chairman. The following food demonstrations were well attended:

Yeast Breads  
School Lunch  
Meat Extenders

A Clothing Renovation meeting was held and a Home Management Discussion Group also met.

In 4-H Club work there were fifty-one girls and sixty-five boys enrolled in projects of clothing, food, handicraft, poultry, garden and pig. Miss Henrietta Swain served as 4-H town chairman. Members of the 4-H town committee were Mr. Charles E. Perry and the local leaders listed as follows: Clothing, Mrs. Wilfred Andrews, Mrs. Lucie Hesse; Food, Mrs. Guy York, Miss Barbara Nims and Miss Barbara Haynes, assisted by Miss Grace Talbot; Handicraft, Mr. Wilfred Andrews. Mr. and Mrs. Wilfrid Andrews also had two garden clubs, with the largest enrollment in the county.

Wilmington had their usual very fine exhibit in May with honors for banner clubs going to Mrs. Lucie Hesse, Mrs. Wilfred Andrews and Miss Barbara Nims.

Activities of the clubs led by Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Andrews appeared in the National 4-H Club News and Mrs. Andrews was the recipient of two sets of flags in recognition of work done.

The Junior Builders 4-H Club sponsored two entertainments for the local Aids to Victory fund, which were very well attended.

Members of the Woburn Street Garden Club and the Silver Lake Garden Club filled the basement of the Grange Hall with their exhibits at the local Grange fair. It was the best 4-H Garden Exhibit in the county.

Ribbons were awarded in the Middlesex North Garden Contest to Gordon Balcom, James Willing, John Good, Richard Palmer and Robert Palmer.

Gordon Balcom was also awarded twenty-five chicks on his excellent poultry work.

ERNEST W. EAMES,

Director.



## TREASURER'S REPORT

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Cash in Treasury .....	\$113,322.59
Income Tax .....	27,102.46
Business Corporation Tax .....	6,655.34
Meal Tax .....	1,203.16
Reimbursement Cities and Towns Loss of Taxes .....	7.56
Pay Roll Deductions Victory and Witholding Tax .....	5,465.37

### HIGHWAYS:

Chapter 90 Maintenance	
Note No. 332 .....	2,000.00
State .....	805.11
County .....	805.11
Snow Removal .....	81.50
Refund .....	24.65
Sale of Junk .....	75.00
Work done for Parks Department .....	110.00

### BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Refunds Cities and Towns .....	877.40
Refunds Individuals .....	469.00
Support of Indigent Persons .....	144.00
Burial of Indigent Persons .....	40.00
Old Age Assistance:	
Refunds Cities and Towns .....	1,220.32
Refunds Individuals .....	141.75
U. S. Grant .....	20,729.96
State Treasurer .....	19,625.42
Refund postage .....	36.66
Aid to Dependent Children:	
Refunds Individuals .....	35.00
U. S. Grant .....	3,193.85
State Treasurer .....	2,085.81
Refund postage .....	3.12
Temporary Aid and Transportation .....	564.97
Child Guardianship .....	2,499.12
Veterans' Aid and Pensions:	
State and War Allowance .....	600.00
Soldiers' Relief .....	12.00

### PUBLIC HEALTH:

Dept. of Public Health, subsidies for Cities and Towns \$	255.71
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POLICE:

Ambulance Cases .....	421.00
Refunds .....	13.48
Bicycle Licenses .....	41.00

EDUCATION:

Tuition of Children .....	1,771.93
Tuition and transportation of City of Boston Wards.....	751.76
Account of School Superintendent .....	1,202.84
Schools, Petty Cash Refunds .....	13.64
Refunds Purchase of Books .....	60.15

Tax Title Redemption and Sales .....	3,566.27
Tax Title Interest .....	437.87
Deeds of Release .....	84.00
Sale Selectmen's (Foreclosure) .....	2,160.00
Tax Title Sale Low Value .....	661.50
Land Court, Return of Deposits .....	39.00
Middlesex County, Refund Recording Deeds .....	9.00
Sealer Weights and Measures Fees .....	40.75
Dog Licenses from Town Clerk .....	693.60
Return of Dog Licenses County Treasurer .....	612.55
Dog Damage County Treasurer .....	208.00
Licenses .....	3,466.50
One Book, Births, Marriages and Deaths .....	1.20
Cemetery .....	1,984.70
Library .....	83.57
Building Inspector .....	38.00
Fire Department Refunds .....	2.50
Insurance Return Premium Acct. ....	136.29
Fines Fourth District Court .....	160.00
Water Revenue .....	22,835.29
Excess Interest on Tax Title Loan .....	67.45
Interest, Bank .....	.68
Income from Trust Funds .....	519.87
Notes in Anticipation of Revenue .....	110,000.00
Town Hall, Toll Call Refunds .....	1.55

Collector of Taxes:

Taxes .....	\$193,115.50
Interest .....	2,860.12

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\$558,253.50

PAYMENTS

Treasury Warrants .....	\$463,876.31
Cash in Treasury .....	\$ 94,377.19

ALFRED S. ALLEN, Treasurer.

# COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT 1943

	Collected	Abated	Tax Titles	Balance	Interest	Cost
1943 Commitment .....	\$177,200.68	\$ 1,361.01	\$ 3,538.58	\$ 47,840.19	\$ 77.00	\$ 30.80
Additional .....	111.00					
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	\$177,311.68					
1943 Excise .....	\$ 5,359.41	79.40		122.69	5.03	
1942 Balance .....	60,414.91	157.20	426.40	18,257.76	1,062.60	10.15
1942 Excise (Bal.) .....	366.87	14.02		271.38	3.57	
1941 Balance .....	21,930.03	1,279.43	456.17	1,187.34	1,422.13	7.70
1941 Excise (Bal.) .....	229.23	15.89		213.34	1.95	
1940 Balance .....	2,751.82	2,527.38	24.51		278.11	12.25
1940 Excise (Bal.) .....	310.80	24.69		286.11	4.29	
1939 Excise (Bal.) .....	179.78	4.00		167.78	.59	
1938 Excise (Bal.) .....	99.27	14.06			4.85	

GEORGE W. BUCK,

Collector of Taxes,

Town of Wilmington.

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

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The Board of Public Welfare submits the following report covering all categories of relief for the year 1943.

The total expenditures for relief granted for the three categories, Welfare, Aid to Dependent Children and Old Age Assistance, was \$57,683.66, and for the purpose of this report will be taken up separately.

## GENERAL RELIEF

General Relief expenditures continue to show a decline, due to present increased employment caused by our National Emergency. The appropriations requested for 1944 are based on present conditions and do not cover any sudden changes in the economic conditions of the country.

The total expenditures for relief granted on Welfare to forty-five cases was \$6,813.91, and for comparison we quote the expenditures for General Relief for the following years:

1941 .....	\$14,136.11
1942 .....	8,976.37
1943 .....	6,813.91

During the year the case turn-over was twenty-one new cases added, twenty-four cases closed.

We have billed the State and other cities and towns for Welfare relief granted during the year in the amount of \$1,105.22. There has been paid into the Town Treasury \$867.67, leaving an outstanding balance of \$237.55. In addition, there is \$147.24 outstanding previous to January 1, 1943, making a total of \$384.79 outstanding. We have also received refunds from children for aid granted to parents, in the amount of \$358.50.

We are requesting an appropriation of \$8,000.00 for 1944, which is to cover not only cases aided directly by this Board but to include six cases in the Tewksbury Hospital at \$10.50 a week for each, one child in a state school at \$7.00 a week, and cases with a Wilmington settlement being aided in some other city or town.

## AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

This type of relief is a Federal Social Security Law and is intended to provide as near normal home conditions as possible for a family where the father is deceased, physically incapacitated, divorced or has deserted. The Town is reimbursed one-third by the Federal Government, one-third by the Commonwealth, leaving one-third to be borne by the Town.

The total cost of this program for 1943, granted to fourteen cases, was \$6,281.25. We are requesting an appropriation of \$6,000.00 for 1944, which is an increase of \$1,200.00 above the appropriation for 1943. This increase is necessary on account of an increased case-load and the types of cases being aided.

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Old Age Assistance is granted to an individual who is sixty-five years of age, a citizen—in need of assistance,—and who has lived in Massachusetts three out of the last five years, and for one year preceding the date of application. Legislation has liberalized Relief Laws, particularly Old Age Assistance grants.

The total expenditures for relief granted to one hundred thirty-six cases was \$43,272.15. This amount also includes cases with a Wilmington settlement aided in some other city or town. During the year, seventeen new cases were added, five were denied, and twenty-nine were closed for various reasons.

In addition to the reimbursement the Town will receive from the Federal Government and the Commonwealth, we have billed other cities and towns for cases aided in Wilmington in the amount of \$1,220.51. Of this amount, \$1,037.26 has been paid into the Town Treasury, leaving an outstanding balance due of \$183.25. There are no previous outstanding accounts due from other cities and towns. We have six cases with a Wilmington settlement being aided in some other city or town.

We are requesting an appropriation for 1944 of \$22,000.00. This amount is based on present conditions and is not intended to cover any possible change in the law by the legislature, or change in the rules and regulations by the State Department of Public Welfare.

ROY A. BOUSFIELD, Chairman

WALTER G. BUCKLE,

STEVEN COLUCCI,

Board of Welfare Committee.

## **BOARD OF APPEALS**

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Wilmington, Massachusetts:

Gentlemen:

The following is the report of your Board of Appeal for the year ending December 31, 1943.

There having been no appeals made to this Board during the current year, no hearings were held.

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY WEBBER,

Secretary, Board of Appeal.

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

January 29, 1944.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report as Superintendent of Streets for the year 1943.

During the past year all surface treated streets were patched, all graveled streets were gravel patched and newly accepted streets were scraped and mud holes filled for safe traveling in so far as the Highway funds would permit. Three of them in the Federal Garden district received no attention beyond the entrances, even though badly needed due to ledges and boulders, because no funds were provided. All brush was cut and burned. All catch basins cleaned out. At all cross roads and dangerous curves where brush on private property caused poor visibility, same was cut. All the old fences were repaired where needed and two new ones constructed. Paint was purchased, but due to labor shortage could not be applied and will have to be done sometime in the spring of 1944 when brush cutting starts. The back shed roof has been repaired and window glass put in thereby making a tight storage shed. As many automobile drivers have noticed and greatly appreciated, Federal Street bridge and its approaches have been completed, plus about one half the entire length of the street. Also new guard rails have been installed on both sides of the bridge. Many large trees were removed so as the bridge and street could be widened.

It is my personal belief that many taxpayers do not have the proper knowledge and often times receive the wrong impression in regards to appropriations. Please let me at this time try and show you by a detailed breakdown of the General Highway appropriation of \$20,000.00 for the year 1943, just how much and where it was expended. Appropriation—\$20,000.00.....Expenditures—\$19,994.36.....Balance \$5.64

Breakdown of same.	Insurance .....	559.17
Snow and ice removal....\$2,145.43	Surveying .....	252.25
Equipment repairs, tires	Fences (new and old).....	125.10
Rock salt for ice..... 68.01	Cut grass and clean	
parts and labor .....	square .....	150.98
Gasolene and oil .....	Drainage .....	222.95
687.46	Clean gutters .....	174.00
New equipment; snow	Repairs shed roof .....	52.78
plow, blades, road	Level Town dump .....	78.00
broom and mixer..... 636.75		



Repair parking space.....	42.25	Shawsheen Road .....	168.91
Collect salvage .....	72.70	Cross Street .....	35.00
Erect and remove snow		South Street .....	203.42
fences .....	58.76	School Street .....	191.17
Move off school prop-		Middlesex Avenue .....	298.46
erty and fill back yard		Westdale Avenue .....	563.74
of garage .....	304.76	West Street .....	1,093.76
Brush cutting .....	831.12	Woburn Street .....	2,443.96
Trucking screen sand ...	348.50	Federal Street .....	2,549.04
Mix patch and tar .....	436.04	Paint .....	52.00
Put out patch .....	359.95	Telephone .....	46.29
Fuel (garage) .....	199.15	Water .....	18.00
Sand and gravel .....	560.21	Lights .....	11.46
Adams Street .....	231.61	Grader hire .....	20.00
Eames Street .....	168.23	Shovels .....	15.00
Jones Avenue .....	177.00	Electric drill .....	55.00
Brand Avenue .....	169.50	Painting .....	12.00
Andover Street .....	368.11	Miscellaneous .....	75.58
Harris Street .....	184.70	Town park .....	110.00
Liberty Street .....	77.00	(Town park item was billed to	
Pershing Street .....	73.00	them and paid Dec. '43.)	

After studying the above breakdown, I trust you taxpayers will agree with my 1944 recommendations which will appear later in this report.

The Chap. 90 maintenance program is about the same every year. The Town has six streets, namely Lowell, Church and Salem Streets, and Burlington, Shawsheen and Middlesex Avenue that come within the program. As you know, we receive financial aid from the State and County for their upkeep as well as State Engineering supervision. The following work was recommended by them and completed by the Town. All brush cut, basins cleaned, shoulders dragged and scraped and all excess dirt picked up. Also surfaces patched where needed and some shoulders graveled. The bulk of the work was done on Lowell Street, from Perry's Corner to the Junction of Route 38. It was resurfaced with 7616 gallons of heavy tar; 360 tons of pea gravel and back covered with 96½ tons of ¼ inch pea stone. This application and covering was mixed with a power grader rented from the Town of Reading and evenly spread out after which it was rolled to make it stay in place thereby producing a hard long wearing surface. Church Street and part of Shawsheen Avenue will be done in 1944. A new face was constructed on Burlington Avenue for a distance of about 350 feet.

The following is the appropriation recommended by me to the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Board for 1944. It is my intention



to use some pea gravel to resurface some of the streets. Because of its cost only a limited amount can be used to stay within the budget. In time it will pay for itself as the maintenance cost is very low.

Highway General Appropriation .....\$ 25,000.00

Breakdown of same.

Salaries \$14,144.00

Superintendent .....	\$ 2,288.00
(3) Drivers .....	5,616.00
(4) Laborers .....	6,240.00 \$ 14,144.00

Materials and incidentals:

50,000 gals. Tar at .13.....	6,500.00
Sand .....	300.00
Gravel .....	600.00
1500 tons pea gravel at .60....	900.00
Insurance .....	600.00
Surveying .....	600.00
Fuel .....	200.00
Bound Posts .....	125.00
Telephone .....	60.00
Water .....	18.00
Lights .....	12.00
Grader hire .....	300.00
Compressor hire .....	400.00
<b>Cut grass and clean square....</b>	<b>241.00 \$ 10,856.00</b>
	<hr/> \$ 25,000.00

Chap 90 Maintenance .....\$ 1,000.00

Road machinery account (gas, oil, tires and  
**repairs)** ..... 2,000.00

In conclusion I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen for its sincere and hearty co-operation, and the various departments for their assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. WHITE,

Superintendent of Streets.

# REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Wilmington, Massachusetts.

We respectfully submit the following report of the Memorial Day Committee:

## ORDER OF EXERCISES

- 1.45 P. M. Veterans Assemble at Legion Hall.
- 2.00 P. M. Exercises at Nee and Regan Parks. Commanders, colors, firing squads, buglers and chaplains. Exercises at Nee Park under the direction of Nee-Ellsworth Post 2458, Veterans of Foreign Wars. Exercises at Regan Park under the direction of Wilmington Post No. 136, American Legion.
- 2.30 P. M. Form at Masonic Hall for Parade.
- 2.45 P. M. Start of Parade.
- 2.55 P. M. Casting of Wreath on water of Mill Brook by Comrade John H. Simpson, G. A. R., in memory of those who died at sea. Assisted by Jeanette P. White, Chaplain of Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary. March by Band, "Columbia, The Gem of the Ocean." Address and Prayer by Rev. Arthur Samuelson. Firing Squad. Taps.
- 3.20 P. M. Arrive at Rogers Park. Column of Marchers, left face. Exercises under the direction of Commander Paul W. Dayton, American Legion. Placing of Wreath by Howard E. Bedell, Chaplain A. L. Address and Prayer by Rev. James M. Daley. Hymn by Band. Firing Squad. Taps.
- 3.40 P. M. Arrive at Soldiers' Monument. Exercises under the direction of Commander Louis S. Kennedy, Nee-Ellsworth Post. Placing of Wreath by Chaplain Joseph T. Kelley, V. F. W. Lincoln's "Gettysburg Address," delivered by John J. P. Regan, Wilmington Boy Scouts. Hymn by Band. Address and Prayer by Rev. Clyde M. Martin. Placing of Wreath, (in memory of those who have sacrificed their lives in the present War) by Sarah Ellen Higginbotham and Robert M. Babine. Firing Squad. Taps.
- 4.10 P. M. Parade to graves. "Vacant Chair" by Band. Decoration of graves. Firing Squad. Taps.

- 4.30 P. M. Arrive at Soldier's Lot. Exercises under the direction of Commander Paul W. Dayton, A. L. Placing of Wreath by Edith H. Nitchie, American Legion Auxiliary. Address and Prayer by Rev. Francis S. Strykowski. Hymn by Band. Firing Squad. Taps. "Star Spangled Banner" by Band.
- 4.55 P. M. Arrive at Nichols Corner. Disband.

### **ROSTER OF PARADE**

Detail of Police  
Board of Selectmen  
Color and Guards. (Massed Colors.)  
Firing Squad  
Automobile with G. A. R.  
Wilmington Community Band  
Members of the armed forces of the United States  
Spanish War Veterans  
Nee-Ellsworth Post 2458, Veterans of Foreign Wars  
Wilmington Post No. 136, American Legion  
Disabled Veterans in Automobiles  
Sons of Legion, Squadron  
Nee-Ellsworth Post 2458, Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary  
Susan T. Esler, Past State President American Legion Auxiliary  
Wilmington Post 136, American Legion Auxiliary  
Wilmington Post 136, American Legion Junior Auxiliary  
Automobiles with Gold Star Mothers and Auxiliary Members  
Boy Scouts of America  
Girl Scouts of America  
Other Patriotic and War Time Organizations  
Automobiles  
Buglers

### **MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE**

John H. Simpson, G. A. R., Paul W. Dayton, A. L., Ernest C. Cail, A. L., John H. Doyle, A. L., Edwin J. Twomey, A. L., Joseph B. McMahon, A. L., Justice V. Balser, A. L., Herbert Higginbotham, V. F. W., Louis Kennedy, V. F. W., Howard Cates, A. L. and V. F. W., Elizabeth Kelley, A. L. Auxiliary, Anna Barry, A. L. Auxiliary, Lena Cavanaugh, V. F. W. Auxiliary, Evelyn Gordon, V. F. W. Auxiliary.

### **HONORARY**

Anastasia Marlin, President V. F. W. Auxiliary.  
Susan T. Esler, Past State President, A. L. Auxiliary.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL W. DAYTON,  
Commander A. L. Post 136, Chairman.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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### SARAH D. J. CARTER LECTURE COMMITTEE

To the Board of Selectmen of Wilmington, Mass.:

Following is the Financial Report of the Sarah D. J. Carter Lecture Fund for the year 1943:

#### RECEIPTS

January 1, 1943, Balance on Hand .....	\$ 89.05	
Interest to June 6, 1942 .....	.44	
Interest to December 5, 1942 .....	.89	
Interest to June 5, 1943 .....	.90	
		\$ 91.28

#### EXPENDITURES

November 5, 1943, Rent of Grange Hall .....	\$ 8.00	
November 5, 1943, White Entertainments, Inc. ....	75.00	
		\$ 83.00
Balance .....		\$ 8.28

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH D. J. CARTER LECTURE COMMITTEE.

ALICE M. ALLEN,  
Acting Treasurer.

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### REPORT OF SARAH D. J. CARTER LECTURE COMMITTEE

The Carter Lecture Committee presented to the residents of Wilmington for their entertainment:

Captain Anderson's Animal Circus, Friday, November 5th, 1943, at 3:30 o'clock, P. M. in the Grange Hall.

and have arranged the following programs to be presented during the coming season:—

Tuesday Evening, March 7th, 1944, at 8:00 o'clock in the Grange Hall, Harris Walter Reynolds Lecture, Motion Pictures, "Alaska, the beautiful."

Tuesday Evening, April 4th, 1944, at 8:00 o'clock, in the Grange Hall, Edward Gamage, Tenor; Helene Wiedemann, Lyric Soprano; Rae Nichols, Pianist. Concert Program.

MILDRED E. NEILSON,  
ANNA R. BARRY,  
ALICE ALLEN,  
FOSTER BALSER,  
JOHN W. HATHAWAY,  
The Carter Lecture Committee.

# *Annual Report*

OF THE

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

OF

**WILMINGTON, MASS.**



SHOWING

APPROPRIATIONS, RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

STATEMENT OF TOWN DEBT

AND

BALANCE SHEET

**FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,**

**1943**

## REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

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To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Following is my report for the year 1943, showing financial transactions, statement of Town Debt and Balance Sheet after closing of the books.

Accounts involving the receipt and expenditure of money, together with the Assessors' Valuation Book and Tax Collector's Commitment Books, have been checked.

Accounts of the Treasurer have been examined, and the cash balance on hand, namely, \$94,377.19, has been verified.

Yours respectfully,

HARRY R. DEMING,

Town Accountant.

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

### Selectmen

Appropriation, Expenses .....	\$	200.00
Appropriation, Salaries .....		650.00

### Payments

#### Expenses:

Postage, printing and stationery ....	\$	47.98
Advertising .....		35.00
Clerical Work .....		102.00
Miscellaneous .....		9.00

\$ 193.98

#### Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... 6.02

	\$	200.00
Salaries .....	\$	650.00

### Town Accountant

Appropriation, Expenses .....	\$	75.00
Appropriation, Salary .....		1,000.00

### Payments

#### Expenses:

Postage, printing and stationery....	\$	44.51
Telephone .....		2.05

\$ 46.56

#### Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... \$ 28.44

	\$	75.00
Salary .....	\$	1,000.00

### Treasurer

Appropriation, Foreclosures .....	\$	800.00
Appropriation, Expenses .....		525.00
Appropriation, Salary .....		1,000.00

### Payments

Foreclosures, costs ..... \$ 669.85

#### Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... 130.15

\$ 800.00

Expenses:

Premium on bond .....	\$	144.00
Hold-up insurance .....		35.00
Postage, printing and stationery .....		193.88
Certification of Town Notes .....		12.00
Deeds of Release, Tax Titles .....		66.00
Office Equipment .....		67.50

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\$ 518.38

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... \$ 6.62

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\$ 525.00

Salary ..... \$ 1,000.00

**Tax Collector**

Appropriation, Expenses ..... \$ 1,000.00

From Reserve Fund ..... 5.00

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\$ 1,005.00

Appropriation, Salary ..... \$ 1,600.00

**Payments**

Expenses:

Premiums on Bonds .....	\$	322.00
Postage, printing and stationery.....		278.46
Tax Titles, costs .....		357.60
Hold-up Insurance .....		35.00
Office Equipment .....		11.65

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\$ 1,004.71

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... \$ .29

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\$ 1,005.00

Salary ..... \$ 1,600.00

**Assessors**

Appropriation, Expenses ..... \$ 300.00

Appropriation, Salaries ..... \$ 1,700.00

**Payments**

Expenses:

Postage, printing and stationery .....	\$	59.15
Travel .....		78.00



Clerical Work .....	128.00	
Listing Tax Titles .....	20.00	
Office Equipment Repairs .....	8.50	
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	\$ 293.65	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	6.35	
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	\$	300.00
Salaries .....	\$	1,700.00

#### Finance Committee

Appropriation .....	\$	100.00
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#### Payments

Postage, Printing and Stationery.....	\$	63.00
Advertising .....		3.50
Clerical Work .....		10.00
Misc. ....		10.00
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	\$	86.50
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$	13.50
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	\$	100.00

#### Town Counsel

Appropriation, Expenses .....	\$	325.00
Appropriation, Salary .....	\$	300.00

#### Payments

Expenses:		
Legal, additional .....	\$	225.00
Fees, Travel, Postage, Telephone, Etc. ....		79.53
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	\$	304.53
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....		20.47
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	\$	325.00
Salary .....	\$	300.00

### Town Clerk

Appropriation, Expenses .....	\$	60.00		
From Reserve Fund .....		15.00		
Appropriation, Salary .....			\$	75.00
			\$	400.00

### Payments

#### Expenses:

Postage, Printing and Stationery.....	\$	63.00		
Premium on Bond .....		7.50		
	\$	71.30		
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....		3.70		
			\$	75.00
Salary .....	\$		400.00	

### Election and Registration

Appropriation .....	\$	800.00		
From Reserve Fund .....		63.00		
			\$	863.00

### Payments

#### Election:

Election Officers, Wages .....	\$	116.00		
Postage, Printing and Stationery.....		88.61		
Labor on Voting Booths .....		32.00		
Meals, Election Officers .....		19.30		
			\$	255.91

#### Registrations:

Salaries, Registrars .....	\$	205.00		
Advertising .....		7.50		
Stationery .....		7.13		
			\$	219.63

#### Listing of Persons:

Wages, Listing .....	\$	255.00		
Auto Hire .....		27.00		
Forms, Binders, etc. ....		53.71		
Clerical Work .....		50.00		
			\$	385.71

\$ 861.25

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$	1.75		
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\$ 863.00

## Planning Board

Appropriation .....	\$	50.00
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### No Payments

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account .....	\$	50.00
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## Town Hall

Appropriation .....	\$	2,000.00
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From Reserve Fund .....		150.00
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		\$ 2,150.00
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### Payments

Salary, Janitor .....	\$	400.00
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Telephone .....		139.79
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Light .....		61.64
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Fuel .....		167.98
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Water .....		18.00
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Building Repairs and Alterations.....		1,044.85
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Supplies .....		6.09
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Office Furniture .....		49.25
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Labor on Grounds .....		6.00
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	\$	1,893.60
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Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account .....	\$	256.40
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	\$	2,150.00
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## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

### Police Department

Appropriation, Expenses .....	\$	1,200.00
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From Reserve Fund .....		425.00
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	\$	1,625.00
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Appropriation, Salaries and Wages .....		\$ 10,320.00
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### Payments

Expenses:

Light and Fuel .....	\$	223.34
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Telephone .....		186.23
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Rent .....		300.00
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Station Supplies .....		17.11
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Postage, Printing and Stationery.....	23.72
Traffic Lights .....	56.11
Police Car Maintenance .....	468.57
Miscellaneous .....	20.88

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\$ 1,295.96

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... \$ 4.04

Balance to 1944 ..... 325.00

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\$ 1,625.00

Salaries and Wages ..... \$ 9,498.94

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... \$ 821.06

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\$ 10,320.00

Unpaid bill \$325.00

#### Ambulance

Appropriation ..... \$ 300.00

#### Payments

Gas, Oil and Grease ..... \$ 97.53

Repairs ..... 59.95

Laundry ..... 14.73

Printing and Stationery ..... 5.25

Miscellaneous ..... .35

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\$ 177.81

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... \$ 122.19

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\$ 300.00

#### Constable

Appropriation ..... \$ 50.00

#### Payment

Salary ..... \$ 50.00

#### Fire Department

Appropriation, Expenses ..... \$ 1,600.00

Appropriation, Salaries and Wages.. \$ 7,350.00

From Reserve Fund ..... 458.00

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\$ 7,808.00

### Payments

Expenses:

Light and Fuel .....	\$ 294.41
Telephone .....	53.38
Water .....	21.93
Building Repairs .....	130.01
Equipment Repairs and Replace- ments .....	407.82
Fire Insurance on Apparatus and Equipment .....	61.73
Gasoline .....	128.64
Supplies .....	60.62
Maintenance Fire Alarm .....	268.73
Printing and Stationery .....	7.75
Miscellaneous .....	16.20

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\$ 1,451.22

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and  
Deficiency Account .....

\$ 148.78

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\$ 1,600.00

Salaries and Wages .....

\$ 7,807.10

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and  
Deficiency Account .....

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\$ 7,808.00

### Hydrant Rental

Appropriation .....	\$ 5,720.00
To Water Department Revenue .....	\$ 5,720.00

### Inspection of Buildings

Appropriation, Expenses .....	\$ 50.00
Appropriation, Salary .....	300.00

### Payments

Expenses:

Transportation .....	\$ 48.48
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	1.52
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	\$ 50.00
Salary .....	300.00

# Board of Appeals

Appropriation .....	\$	50.00
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## No Payments

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$	50.00
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## Sealing of Weights and Measures

Appropriation, Expenses .....	\$	80.00
Appropriation, Salary .....		250.00

## Payments

### Expenses:

Seals .....	\$	2.83	
Lumber .....		75.79	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$	1.38	
		<hr/>	\$ 80.00
Salary .....			250.00

## Suppression of Moths

Appropriation .....	\$	1,500.00
From Reserve Fund .....		5.00
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	\$	1,505.00

## Payments

Wages .....	\$	877.50
Truck Hire .....		365.00
Gas and Oil .....		61.89
Creosote, Arsenate of Lead, etc.....		156.02
Equipment Repairs .....		31.19
Light .....		11.00
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	\$	1,502.60

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....		2.04
	<hr/>	\$ 1,505.00

## Suppression of Elm Leaf Beetle

Appropriation .....	\$	500.00
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### Payments

Wages .....	\$	192.50	
Truck Hire .....		47.50	
Arsenate of Lead .....		260.00	
		500.00	\$ 500.00

### Tree Warden

Appropriation .....	\$	800.00	
From Reserve Fund .....		600.00	
		1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00

### Payments

Wages .....	\$	840.38	
Truck Hire .....		399.38	
Gas and Oil .....		41.66	
Equipment Repairs .....		6.18	
Tools and Supplies .....		32.76	
Workmens' Compensation and Public Liability Insurance .....		48.50	
Light .....		1.00	
Trees .....		30.00	
		1,399.86	\$ 1,399.86

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	.14		
		1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00

### Health and Sanitation

Appropriation .....	\$	2,000.00
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### Payments

Salary, Agent, 1943 .....	\$	200.00	
Salary, Agent, Balance 1942 .....		40.00	
Middlesex County Sanatorium, Board and Care .....		386.75	
Hospital Board and Care, Contagious Diseases .....		25.35	
Rabies Vaccine .....		2.15	
Administering Rabies Vaccine .....		14.00	

Vital Statistics, Return of Births,	
Marriages and Deaths .....	167.50
Care of Public Dump .....	75.00
Salary, Inspector of Animals .....	100.00
Milk Program .....	42.52
Signs .....	4.00
Miscellaneous .....	12.77
Postage, Printing and Stationery.....	4.40
Clerical Work .....	108.00

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\$ 1,182.44

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and	
Deficiency Account .....	817.56

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\$ 2,000.00

#### Public Health Nurse

Appropriation .....	\$ 1,000.00
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#### Payments

Salary, District Nurse .....	\$ 1,000.00
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#### Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital

County Assessment, levied by Assessors .....	\$ 1,284.60
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#### Payment

Middlesex County Treasurer, Town's	
share of care, maintenance and	
repairs .....	\$ 1,284.60

#### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

##### General Highway Account

Appropriation .....	\$ 20,000.00
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#### Payments

Salaries and Wages .....	\$ 9,736.63
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#### Snow and Ice Account:

Wages .....	\$ 1,709.31
Teams and Trucks .....	400.25
Repairs and Replacements .....	429.06
Supplies .....	67.81

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\$ 2,606.43



Tar and Road Oil .....	2,926.03
Sand and Gravel .....	560.26
Crushed Stone .....	9.98
Signs .....	4.50
Surveys and Plans .....	252.75
Equipment Repairs and Replacements .....	1,898.01
Gas and Oil .....	680.52
Tools .....	70.60
Rental of Equipment .....	205.00
Miscellaneous Supplies .....	156.36
Fuel .....	199.15
Light .....	10.33
Water .....	16.50
Telephone .....	42.47
Building Repairs .....	59.67
Workmen's Compensation and Public Liability Insurance .....	559.17
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	\$ 19,994.36
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	5.64
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	\$ 20,000.00

#### Chapter 90, Maintenance

(Salem, Lowell, Church Streets; Burlington, Shawsheen  
Middlesex Avenues)

Appropriation .....	\$ 1,000.00
From State .....	999.99
From County .....	999.99
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	\$ 2,999.98

#### Payments

Salaries and Wages .....	\$ 1,505.95
Road Oil .....	925.62
Crushed Stone .....	168.79
Rental of Equipment .....	37.50
Gravel .....	219.60
Guard Rail Posts .....	78.00
Lumber, Bolts, etc .....	64.52
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	\$ 2,999.98

### Road Machinery Account

Appropriation ..... \$ 500.00

#### Payments

Equipment Repairs ..... \$ 197.07

Gas and Oil ..... 302.19

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\$ 499.26

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency  
Account ..... .74

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\$ 500.00

### Highway Truck

Appropriation ..... \$ 3,500.00

#### Payment

1941 Model, Mack Dump Truck ..... \$ 3,500.00

### Highway Road Fund

Balance from 1942 ..... \$ 641.05

Balance to 1944 ..... \$ 641.05

### Street Lights

Appropriation ..... \$ 7,650.00

#### Payments

Street Lights ..... \$ 7,595.40

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency  
Account ..... 54.60

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\$ 7,650.00

### CHARITIES

#### Board of Public Welfare

Appropriation, Salary of Agent ..... \$ 1,500.00

Appropriation, Administration ..... 500.00

Appropriation, Aid ..... 8,000.00

#### Payments

Salary of Agent ..... \$ 1,500.00

Administration:

Travel ..... \$ 92.05

Postage, Printing and Stationery ..... 61.34

Telephone .....	60.18	
Office Equipment and Repairs.....	45.03	
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	\$	258.60
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	241.40	
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	\$	500.00
Aid:		
Cash .....	\$	2040.35
Board .....		278.71
Rent .....		40.00
Fuel .....		34.94
Food .....		373.05
Clothing and Shoes .....		18.12
Medical Services .....		28.50
Medicines .....		5.65
Hospitals .....		449.50
Dental .....		29.00
Burial .....		40.00
State Infirmary .....		2,374.50
Other Cities and Towns .....		1,027.18
Milk Program .....		44.17
Surplus Commodities Expense:		
Warehouse Rent .....		10.20
Trucking .....		11.24
Miscellaneous .....		8.50
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	\$	6,813.91
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$	1,186.09
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	\$	8,000.00

#### Aid to Dependent Children (Town Account)

Appropriation, Aid ..... \$ 4,800.00

#### Payments

Aid:		
Cash .....	\$	3,935.25
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....		864.75
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	\$	4,800.00

### Aid to Dependent Children (U. S. Grant)

Balance from 1942, Account Administration .....	\$ 3.38	
Received from State Treasurer, Account Administration .....	190.92	
	<hr/>	\$ 194.30
Balance from 1942, Account Aid.....	\$ 541.73	
Received from State Treasurer, Account Aid .....	1,929.75	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,471.48

### Payments

#### Administration:

Travel .....	\$ 1.50	
Postage, Printing and Stationery .....	8.72	
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	\$ 10.22	
Balance, to 1944 .....	184.08	
	<hr/>	\$ 194.30

#### Aid:

Cash .....	\$ 2,346.00	
Balance to 1944 .....	125.48	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,471.48

### Old Age Assistance (Town Account)

Appropriation, Administration .....	\$ 1,000.00
Appropriation, Assistance .....	24,000.00

### Payments

#### Administration:

Salary, Social Worker .....	\$ 873.15	
Travel .....	47.30	
Postage, Printing and Stationery..	62.62	
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	\$ 983.07	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	16.93	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,000.00

#### Assistance:

Cash .....	\$ 23,380.02
Medical Services .....	4.00
Hospital .....	49.45

Burials .....	200.00	
Other Cities and Towns .....	40.26	
	\$ 23,673.73	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	326.27	
		\$ 24,000.00

#### Old Age Assistance (U. S. Grant)

Balance from 1942, Account Ad- ministration .....	\$ 4.46	
Received from State Treasurer, Ac- count Administration .....	685.35	
		\$ 689.81
Balance from 1942, Account As- sistance .....	\$ 107.36	
Received from State Treasurer, Ac- count Assistance .....	20,044.61	
Refund Assistance to Individual .....	517.16	
		\$ 20,669.13

#### Payments

##### Administration:

Salary, Social Worker .....	\$ 409.80	
Travel .....	16.45	
Postage, Printing and Stationery .....	48.98	
Telephone .....	11.31	
	\$ 486.54	
Balance to 1944 .....	203.27	
		\$ 689.81

##### Assistance:

Cash .....	\$ 19,257.05	
Medical Services .....	10.00	
Hospital .....	14.75	
Other Cities and Towns .....	316.62	
	\$ 19,598.42	
Balance to 1944 .....	1,070.71	
		\$ 20,669.13

## SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

### State Aid

Appropriation .....	\$	500.00	
From Reserve Fund .....		10.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 510.00

### Payments

Cash .....	\$	510.00
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### Military Aid

Appropriation .....	\$	100.00	
From Reserve Fund .....		165.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 265.00

### Payments

Cash .....	\$	265.00
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### Soldiers' Relief

Appropriation .....	\$	2,000.00
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### Payments

Cash .....	\$	1,080.00
Hospital .....		5.65
Medical Services .....		89.00
Medicines .....		46.67
Glasses .....		5.85
Food .....		69.60
Fuel .....		441.76
Shoes .....		13.00
Administration:		
Clerical Work .....		78.00
Printing .....		1.75
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	\$	1,831.28

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	168.72	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,000.00

## War Allowance—World War 2

Appropriation ..... \$ 1,000.00

### Payments

Cash .....	\$ 648.00
Hospital .....	46.00
Food .....	24.97
Administration:	
Clerical Work .....	24.00
	\$ 742.97

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	257.03
	\$ 1,000.00

## EDUCATION

### Schools

Appropriation ..... \$ 81,500.00

### Payments

Superintendent's Salary .....	\$ 2,319.46
School Physician's Salary .....	200.00
School Nurse's Salary .....	1,033.32
Attendance Officer's Salary .....	200.00
Clerk's Salary .....	71.40
Superintendent's Travel and Ex- penses .....	158.45
Telephones .....	225.67
Salaries, Principals, Supervisors, Teachers .....	52,129.25
Salaries, Janitors .....	5,821.16
Fuel .....	3,304.26
Water .....	144.63
Light .....	725.11
Buildings, Repairs and Supplies .....	2,675.57
Transportation .....	7,359.00
Books and Supplies .....	2,825.96
Equipment Repairs and Replace- ments .....	246.88

Grounds, Maintenance .....	131.96
Athletics .....	376.59
Milk Program .....	42.52
Miscellaneous .....	305.77

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\$ 80,296.96

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	1,203.04	
	<hr/>	\$ 81,500.00

### Vocational Training

Appropriation .....	\$	500.00
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#### Payments

Tuition at Vocational Schools.....	\$	338.79	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....		161.21	
	<hr/>	\$	500.00

### Library

Appropriation .....	\$	1,000.00
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#### Payments

Salary, Librarian .....	\$	389.00
Salary, Assistant Librarian .....		45.00
Salary, Janitor .....		50.00
Light .....		16.20
Fuel .....		63.00
Building Repairs .....		2.00
Fixtures .....		21.90
Supplies .....		4.55
Books and Magazines .....		224.26
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	\$	815.91

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	184.09	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,000.00



# Library Account—1942

Dr.

Balance from 1942 ..... \$ 76.25

Cr.

Received income from Trust Funds ..... \$ 76.25

## Parks

Appropriation ..... \$ 350.00

## Payments

Labor ..... \$ 231.80  
Plants ..... 9.60  
Flags ..... 24.13  
Flag pole repairs ..... 10.00  
Supplies ..... 26.58  
Storage ..... 10.00

\$ 312.11

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... 37.89

\$ 350.00

## Unclassified

Appropriation ..... \$ 1,000.00  
From Reserve Fund ..... 429.60

\$ 1,429.60

## Payments

Printing Town Report ..... \$ 587.50  
Delivering Town Reports ..... 51.50  
Disposal of dogs ..... 208.00  
Maintenance charge, Water Bonds.. 150.00  
Costs, land sale ..... 131.38  
Insurance, tax title property ..... 10.60  
Repairs to Town Clock ..... 14.47  
Rent of Grange Hall ..... 10.00  
Plan ..... 8.50  
War Damage Insurance ..... 250.00  
Printing and Stationery ..... 7.20

\$ 1,429.15

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account..... .45

\$ 1,429.60

### Memorial Day

Appropriation ..... \$ 400.00

#### Payments

Music ..... \$ 100.00  
Printing ..... 10.25  
Flags and markers ..... 19.16  
Miscellaneous ..... 5.75

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\$ 207.16

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and  
Deficiency Account .....

192.84

..... \$ 400.00

### Purchase of Real Estate

Appropriation ..... \$ 10,000.00

#### Payments

For Roman property, Church Street ..... \$ 10,000.00

### Fire Insurance

Appropriation ..... \$ 1,000.00

#### Payments

Insurance premiums ..... \$ 911.39

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... 88.61

..... \$ 1,000.00

### Indemnity Insurance

(Account Drivers of Highway, Cemetery and Police Motor Vehicles)

Appropriation ..... \$ 500.00

#### Payments

Insurance premiums ..... \$ 335.68

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... 164.32

..... \$ 500.00

### Middlesex County Extension Service

Appropriation ..... \$ 100.00

#### Payments

To Treasurer of 4-H Club ..... \$ 100.00

### Outstanding Bills (Health and Police Dept.

Appropriation .....	\$	100.83
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#### Payments

Account Health; Medical Services..	\$	39.00
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Account Police; Repairs to Police		
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Car .....		46.40
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	\$	85.40
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Unexpended Balance, to Excess and		
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Deficiency Account .....		15.43
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	\$	100.83
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### Outstanding Bills (Board Public Welfare)

Appropriation .....	\$	1,325.00
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#### Payments

Aid rendered by other Cities and		
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Towns .....	\$	1,316.35
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Unexpended Balance, to Excess and		
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Deficiency Account .....		8.65
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	\$	1,325.00
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### War Honor Roll

Balance from 1942 .....	\$	300.00
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From Reserve Fund .....		175.00
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	\$	475.00
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#### Payments

Honor Roll Board .....	\$	150.00
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Name Plates .....		321.53
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	\$	471.53
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Unexpended Balance, to Excess and		
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Deficiency Account .....		3.47
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	\$	475.00
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### Civilian Defense

Balance from 1942 .....	\$	596.31
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Appropriation .....		700.00
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	\$	1,296.31
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### Payments

Wages, watchman .....	\$ 761.65	
Telephones .....	96.18	
Light .....	21.96	
Oil heater .....	29.95	
Supplies .....	1.89	
Flag .....	5.00	
Bond, U. S. Property Officer .....	5.00	
Care of Town Flag .....	147.00	
	\$ 1,068.63	
Balance to 1944 .....	227.68	
		\$ 1,296.31

### Water Department

Water Rates .....	\$ 20,984.68	
Services .....	1,431.12	
Shut offs .....	121.00	
Material sold .....	12.50	
Labor .....	6.32	
Telephone tolls .....	.40	
Pump Hire .....	2.50	
Hydrant Rental—		
Wilmington.....	\$ 5,720.00	
Tewksbury .....	120.00	
		5,840.00
Interest .....	5.96	
Annual Payment, No. Reading.....	150.81	
		\$ 28,555.29

### Payments

Salaries and Wages .....	\$ 8,248.06
Pumping Station, Maintenance .....	1,194.82
Trucks and Autos, Maintenance.....	419.81
Services, Material .....	512.92
Office: Rent, Light, Heat, Postage	
Printing, etc.....	594.69
Workmen's Compensation, Public	
Liability, Boiler and Automomo-	
bile Insurance .....	381.98
Maintenance:	
Equipment .....	36.35
Street Mains.....	89.53
Well Field .....	24.94
Services .....	68.14

Recorder .....	109.13
Hydrants .....	168.53
Miscellaneous .....	119.49

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\$ 11,968.39

Transferred to Water Revenue- Interest Account .....	7,688.25
Transferred to Water Revenue-Ma- turing Debt Account .....	7,000.00
Balance to 1944 .....	1,898.65

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\$ 28,555.29

#### Cemetery

Appropriation (From Taxes .....	\$ 2,000.00)	\$ 2,750.00
(From Cemetery Reserve Fund .....	750.00)	
Income from Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds.....		63.88

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\$ 2,813.88

#### Payments

Salaries and Wages .....	\$ 2,129.90
Telephone .....	19.82
Light and Fuel .....	28.65
Printing, Postage and Stationery....	17.57
Water .....	46.00
Truck Maintenance .....	231.40
Material and Supplies .....	121.27
Signs .....	6.00
Tools .....	13.34
Equipment Repairs .....	106.92
Loam .....	9.00
Fertilizer .....	61.74
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	22.27

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\$ 2,813.88

#### Cemetery Reserve Fund

Cr.

Balance from 1942 .....	\$ 1,948.00
Sales of Lots and Graves .....	1,289.00

Dr.

To Revenue Account (Cemetery Appropriation) \$	750.00
Refund, overpayment on Lot .....	20.00
Balance, to 1944 .....	2,467.00

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\$ 3,237.00 \$ 3,237.00

## Reserve Fund

Appropriation ..... \$ 5,000.00

Transferred to:

Tax Collector .....	\$ 5.00
Election and Registration .....	63.00
Town Clerk .....	15.00
Town Hall .....	150.00
Police Department .....	425.00
Fire Department .....	458.00
Moth Suppression .....	5.00
Tree Warden .....	600.00
State Aid .....	10.00
Military Aid .....	165.00
Unclassified .....	429.60
Honor Roll .....	175.00

\$ 2,500.60

Unexpended Balance, to Excess  
and Deficiency Account .....

2,499.40

\$ 5,000.00

## Interest

Appropriation:

(From Taxes .....	\$ 2,011.75)	\$ 9,700.00
(From Water Revenue .....	7,688.25)	

## Payments

Interest on:

Temporary Loans .....	\$ 810.72
Tax Title Loans' .....	30.35
Municipal Relief Loans .....	88.00
Water Department Bonds .....	7,593.75
Water Department Notes .....	94.50
School Department Loans.....	212.87
Fire Department Loan .....	33.75
Refund, account Tax Title Re- demption .....	3.25

\$ 8,867.19

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and  
Deficiency Account .....

832.81

\$ 9,700.00

### Maturing Debt

#### Appropriation:

(From Taxes .....	\$ 16,200.00)	\$ 23,200.00
(From Water Revenue .....	7,000.00)	

#### Payments

School Department Loans .....	\$ 3,800.00	
Municipal Relief Loans .....	4,000.00	
Fire Department Loan .....	1,500.00	
Water Department Loan, Bonds.....	12,500.00	
Water Department Loan, Notes .....	1,400.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 23,200.00

### TRUST FUNDS

#### New Trust Funds, 1943

Received for Perpetual Care of Cemetery Lots .....	\$	100.00
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#### Payments

To Trustees of Trust Funds .....	\$	100.00
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#### Trust Funds, 1943 Income

Received Income from Trustees of Trust Funds .....	\$	150.00
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#### Payments

##### Transferred to Cemetery Account

Perpetual Care Lots .....	\$	63.88
Balance to 1944 .....		86.12
	<hr/>	\$ 150.00

#### Trust Funds, 1942

##### Dr.

Balance from 1942 .....	\$	214.60
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#### Trust Funds, 1941

##### Dr.

Balance from 1942 .....	\$	75.00
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##### Cr.

Received Income from Trustees of Trust Funds.....	\$	75.00
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#### Trust Funds, 1939

##### Dr.

Balance from 1942 .....	\$	15.16
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##### Cr.

Received Income from Trustees of Trust Funds.....	\$	4.02
Balance to 1944 .....		11.14

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\$ 15.16

**1931 Overlay**

Dr.

Balance from 1942 ..... \$ 45.32

Cr.

Levied by Assessors ..... \$ 45.32

**1934 Overlay**

Dr.

Balance from 1942 ..... \$ 132.62

Cr.

Levied by Assessors ..... \$ 132.62

**1936 Overlay**

Dr.

Balance from 1942 ..... \$ 486.96

Cr.

Levied by Assessors ..... \$ 486.96

**1937 Overlay**

Dr.

Abatements ..... (State Adj.) \$ 131.25

Cr.

Levied by Assessors ..... \$ 131.25

**1938 Overlay**

Abatements ..... (State Adj.) \$ 60.75

Cr.

Levied by Assessors ..... \$ 60.75

**1939 Overlay**

Dr.

Balance from 1942 ..... \$ 433.95

Abatements ..... (State Adj.) \$ 50.62

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\$ 484.57

Cr.

1939 Taxes ..... (State Adj.) \$ 16.92

Levied by Assessors ..... 467.65

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\$ 484.57



### 1940 Overlay

Dr.

Balance from 1942 .....	\$ 1,125.13
Abatements .....(State Adj.)	.67
Abatements in 1943 .....	199.93

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\$ 1,325.73

Cr.

1940 Taxes .....(State Adj.)	\$ 16.48
Levied by Assessors .....	\$ 1,109.22
Balance to 1944 .....	199.93

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\$ 1,325.73

### 1941 Overlay

Cr.

Balance from 1942 .....	\$ 1,559.95
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Dr.

Abatements (State Adj.) .....	\$ 11.94
Abatements in 1943 .....	1,279.43
Balance to 1944 .....	268.58

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\$ 1,559.95

### 1942 Overlay

Cr.

Balance from 1942 .....	\$ 2,562.64
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Dr.

Abatements (State Adj.) .....	\$ 12.60
Refunds .....	2.00
Abatements in 1943 .....	157.20
Balance to 1944 .....	2,390.84

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\$ 2,562.64

### 1943 Overlay

Cr.

Levied by Assessors .....	\$ 6,418.86
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Dr.

Refunds .....	\$ 90.21
Abatements .....	1,361.01
Balance to 1944 .....	4,967.64

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\$ 6,418.86

## Revenue Account

Dr.

Appropriations, for Town Purposes .....	\$261,130.83
1931 Overlay Deficit .....	45.32
1934 Overlay Deficit .....	132.62
1936 Overlay Deficit .....	486.96
1937 Overlay Deficit .....	131.25
1938 Overlay Deficit .....	60.75
1939 Overlay Deficit .....	467.65
1940 Overlay Deficit .....	1,109.32
State Tax .....	3,700.00
State Parks and Reservations Tax .....	129.33
County Tax .....	5,264.37
Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital Tax .....	1,284.60
1943 Overlay .....	6,418.86
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	\$280,361.86

Cr.

Taxes Committed to Collector .....	\$177,311.68
Water Revenue (Account Interest) .....	7,688.25
Water Revenue (Account Maturing Debt) .....	7,000.00
Cemetery Reserve Fund (Account Cemetery) .....	750.00
Excess and Deficiency (Account Purchase Real Estate .....	10,000.00
Estimated Receipts .....	77,126.62
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	\$279,876.55
Balance (Deficit in Revenue) to 1944 .....	485.31
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	\$280,361.86

## Water Revenue Account

Dr.

To Revenue Account (Interest) .....	\$ 7,688.25
To Revenue Account (Maturing Debt) .....	7,000.00
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	\$ 14,688.25
From Water Department Operating Account .....	\$ 14,688.25

## Tax Titles

Dr.

Balance from 1942 .....	\$ 19,458.39
Refund .....	51.75
Tax Adjustments (State Audit) .....	1,901.87

1940 Taxes .....	24.51
1941 Taxes .....	456.17
1942 Taxes .....	426.40
1943 Taxes .....	3,538.58
Costs, 1943 sale .....	337.00

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\$ 26,194.67

Cr.

Redemptions and Sales Low Value Land .....	\$ 4,171.02
Balance to 1944 .....	22,023.65

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\$ 26,194.67

### Tax Titles—Revenue

Dr.

To Tax Title Redemptions, Reserved — Redemptions and Sales Low Value Land .....	\$ 3,251.74
To Excess and Deficiency Account, Redemptions and Sales Low Value Land .....	919.28
Balance to 1944 .....	22,023.65

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\$ 26,194.67

Cr.

Balance from 1942 .....	\$ 19,458.39
Tax Adjustments (State Audit) .....	1,901.87
From Excess and Deficiency Account (Refund) .....	51.75
From Excess and Deficiency Account, 1940 Tax Titles .....	24.51
From Excess and Deficiency Account, 1941 Tax Titles .....	456.17
From Excess and Deficiency Account, 1942 Tax Titles .....	426.40
From Excess and Deficiency Account, 1943 Tax Titles .....	3,538.58
Tax Title Account, Costs 1943 Sales .....	337.00

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\$ 26,194.67

### Tax Title Possessions

Dr.

Balance from 1942 .....	\$ 2,752.85
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Cr.

Tax Adjustments (State Audit) .....	\$ 257.39
Sale of Tax Title Possessions .....	2,160.00
Balance to 1944 .....	335.46

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\$ 2,752.85

# **Tax Title Possessions—Revenue**

Dr.

Tax Adjustments (State Audit) .....	\$	257.39
To Tax Title Redemptions, Reserved, Sales .....		47.06
To Excess and Deficiency Account, Sales .....		2,112.94
Balance to 1944 .....		335.46

\$ 2,752.85

Cr.

Balance from 1942 .....	\$	2,752.85
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## **Estimated Deceipts**

Dr.

Amounts Estimated by Assessors:

Income Tax .....	\$	27,102.46
Corporation Taxes .....		4,435.34
Reimbursement Account State Owned Land..		7.56
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Taxes .....		4,000.00
Licenses .....		3,500.00
General Government .....		100.00
Protection of Persons and Property .....		425.00
Health and Sanitation .....		1,200.00
Charities .....		12,000.00
Old Age Assistance .....		15,000.00
Old Age Assistance, Meal Tax .....		756.26
Schools .....		5,000.00
Cemetery .....		600.00
Interest .....		3,000.00
		<u>\$ 77,126.62</u>

Refunds, 1942 Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise

Taxes .....	\$	2.00
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Refunds, 1943 Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise

Taxes .....		36.54
	\$	<u>38.54</u>

Paid Commonwealth, Account Income Taxes .....

1,085.46

Excess, to Excess and Deliciency Account .....

5,299.27

\$ 83,549.89

Cr.

Amounts Actually Received:

Income Taxes .....	\$	27,102.46
Corporation Taxes .....		6,655.34
Reimbursement, Tax on State Owned Land .....		7.56
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Taxes .....		5,338.58
Licenses .....		3,466.50
Court Fines .....		160.00

General Government:

Treasurer:

Refunds, Land Court Fees .....	\$	79.00	
Land Court Fee Collected .....		24.75	
Recording Fee .....		1.00	
Deeds of Release .....		84.00	
Postage .....		39.78	
		<hr/>	\$ 228.53

Tax Collector:

Collection Costs .....			60.90
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Town Clerk:

Printed Records .....			1.20
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Town Hall:

Telephone tolls .....	\$	1.55	
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Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department:

Telephone tolls .....	\$	9.48	
Damage to Police Car .....		61.81	
Damage to cell.....		4.00	
Bicycle Registration Fees .....		35.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 110.29

Fire Department:

Refund account wages .....			2.50
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Ambulance:

Hire .....			427.00
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Inspection of Buildings:

Fees .....			38.00
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Sealing of Weights and Measures:

Fees .....	\$	40.75	
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Health and Sanitation:

From State, account Middlesex County Sanatorium.....			255.71
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Highways:

State, Snow Removal .....	\$	81.50	
Refund, Workmen's Compensation Insurance .....		59.29	
Refund, account repairs .....		24.65	
Sale of junk .....		75.00	
Work for Park Department .....		110.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 350.44

**Board of Public Welfare:**

From State .....	\$ 748.97	
From Other Cities and Towns .....	1,026.55	
Refund, account fuel .....	90.50	
Refunds, from individuals .....	20.00	
Reimbursements, from individuals .....	358.50	
		<hr/> \$ 2,244.62

**Aid to Dependent Children:**

From State .....	\$ 3,158.99	
Refunds from individuals .....	35.00	
		<hr/> \$ 3,193.99

**Old Age Assistance:**

From State .....	\$ 19,625.42	
From State, Meal Tax .....	1,203.16	
From Other Cities and Towns .....	1,071.07	
Refunds, from individuals .....	141.75	
		<hr/> \$ 22,041.40

**Soldiers' Benefits:****State Aid:**

From State .....	360.00
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**War Allowance, World War 2:**

From State .....	240.00
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**Soldiers' Relief:**

From Other Cities and Towns .....	12.00
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**Education:****Schools:**

Dog Licenses, County .....	\$ 612.55	
Account Superintendent, State .....	1,202.84	
Tuition and Transportation, State .....	4,271.05	
Tuition, Other Cities and Towns .....	751.76	
Refund, Account Books .....	60.15	
Supplies Sold .....	9.00	
Telephone Tolls .....	2.15	
Destroyed Property .....	2.49	
		<hr/> \$ 6,911.99

**Library:**

Fines, etc. ....	83.57
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**Cemetery:**

Burial Expenses .....	\$ 487.00	
Foundations .....	87.95	
Markers .....	20.75	
		<hr/> 595.70

Interest:

On Taxes .....	\$ 2,839.84	
On Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Taxes .....	20.28	
On Redeemed Tax Titles .....	437.87	
On Bank Deposits .....	.68	
Refund, Account Tax Title Loans .....	67.45	
		<hr/> 3,366.12

Unclassified:

Disposal of Dogs, County .....	\$ 208.00	
Return War Damage Insurance Premium....	10.54	
Return Insurance Premium, Tax Title Property .....	4.65	
		<hr/> 223.19

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\$ 83,549.89

**Excess and Deficiency Account**

**Dr.**

To Revenue Account .....	\$ 10,000.00
To Old Age Refund Account .....	1,500.00
To Tax Title—Revenue (Refund) .....	51.75
To Tax Title—Revenue, 1940 Taxes .....	24.51
To Tax Title—Revenue, 1941 Taxes .....	456.17
To Tax Title—Revenue, 1942 axes .....	426.40
To Tax Title—Revenue, 1943 Taxes .....	3,538.58
Balance to 1944 .....	69,715.49
	<hr/> \$ 85,712.90

**Cr.**

Balance from 1942 .....	\$ 64,384.10
Tax Adjustments (State Audit) .....	1,562.40
Old Age Refund Account (Town's proportion) .....	426.87
Tax Title Redemptions and Sales Low Value Land.....	919.28
Sale of Tax Title Possessions .....	2,112.94
Unexpended Departmental Balances .....	11,008.04
Excess, Estimated Receipts .....	5,299.27
	<hr/> \$ 85,712.90

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**  
**(Account Highways)**

**1942 Account**

**Dr.**

Balance from 1942 .....	\$ 109.40
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**Cr.**

Received from State .....	\$ 109.40
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# 1943 Account

Dr.

Allotment, account Chapter 90, Maintenance.... \$ 999.99

Cr.

Received from State ..... \$ 695.71

Balance to 1944 ..... 304.28

\$ 999.99

## County of Middlesex (Account Highways)

### 1942 Account

Dr.

Balance from 1942 ..... \$ 109.40

Cr.

Received from County ..... \$ 109.40

### 1943 Account

Dr.

Allotment, account Chapter 90, Maintenance.... \$ 999.99

Cr.

Received from County ..... \$ 695.71

Balance to 1944 ..... 304.28

\$ 999.99

## Old Age Assistance—Refund

Cr.

From Excess and Deficiency Account ..... \$ 1,500.00

Dr.

Paid State, proportion of refund..... \$ 555.97

To Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant

Account ..... 517.16

To Excess and Deficiency, Town's

proportion ..... 426.87

\$ 1,500.00

## U. S. Victory Tax

Cr.

Deductions from salaries and wages ..... \$ 1,578.92

Dr.

Paid U. S. Depositary ..... \$ 1,578.92

## U. S. Withholding Tax

Cr.

Deductions from salaries and wages ..... \$ 3,886.45

Dr.

Paid U. S. Depositary ..... \$ 3,886.45



# STATEMENT OF TOWN DEBT

## Temporary Loans

(Anticipation of Revenue)

### Outstanding January 1, 1943:

Note No. 320 .....	\$ 25,000.00
Note No. 321 .....	15,000.00
Note No. 322 .....	5,000.00
Note No. 323 .....	25,000.00
Note No. 324 .....	15,000.00
Note No. 328 .....	25,000.00
Note No. 329 .....	15,000.00
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	\$125,000.00

### Borrowed During 1493:

Note No. 330 .....	\$ 25,000.00
Note No. 331 .....	10,000.00
Note No. 333 .....	5,000.00
Note No. 334 .....	40,000.00
Note No. 335 .....	30,000.00
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	\$110,000.00
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	\$235,000.00

### Paid During 1943:

Note No. 320 .....	\$ 25,000.00
Note No. 321 .....	15,000.00
Note No. 322 .....	5,000.00
Note No. 323 .....	25,000.00
Note No. 324 .....	15,000.00
Note No. 328 .....	25,000.00
Note No. 329 .....	15,000.00
Note No. 330 .....	25,000.00
Note No. 331 .....	10,000.00
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	\$160,000.00

Outstanding December 31, 1943 ..... \$ 75,000.00

## Highway Loan

(Account Chapter 90, Maintenance)

### Borrowed during 1943:

Note No. 332 ..... \$ 2,000.00

Outstanding December 31, 1943 ..... \$ 2,000.00

### **Tax Title Loans**

Outstanding January 1, 1943

Note No. 326 (Balance) .....	\$ 1,106.45	
Note No. 327 .....	2,800.00	
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		\$ 3,906.45

Paid During 1943:

Note No. 326 (Balance) .....	\$ 1,106.45	
Note No. 327 .....	2,800.00	
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		\$ 3,906.45

### **Municipal Relief Loans**

Outstanding January 1, 1943 ..... \$ 8,050.00

Paid During 1943:

Note No. 247 .....	\$ 1,000.00	
Note No. 303 .....	3,000.00	
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		\$ 4,000.00

Outstanding December 31, 1943 ..... \$ 4,050.00

### **School Department Loans**

Outstanding January 1, 1943:

Buzzell School Loan (issue of 1935).....	\$ 6,000.00	
Silver Lake School Loan (issue of 1939)....	6,300.00	
Silver Lake Land Loan (issue of 1939) .....	500.00	
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		\$ 12,800.00

Paid during 1943:

Notes Nos. 163, 164, Buzzell School .....	\$ 2,000.00	
Note No. 265, Silver Lake School .....	1,300.00	
Note No. 261, Silver Lake Land .....	500.00	
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		\$ 3,800.00

Outstanding December 31, 1943 ..... \$ 9,000.00

### **Fire Department Loan**

(Issue of 1940)

Outstanding January 1, 1943 ..... \$ 3,000.00

Paid during 1943:

Note No. 289 .....	\$ 1,500.00	
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Outstanding December 31, 1943 ..... \$ 1,500.00

### **Water Department Bonds**

(Issue of 1928)

Outstanding January 1, 1943 .....\$ 20,000.00

Paid during 1943 ..... \$ 12,500.00

Outstanding December 31, 1943 ..... \$187,500.00

### Water Department Notes

(Issue of 1935, 1936)

Outstanding January 1, 1943 .....	\$ 4,200.00
Paid During 1943:	
Note No. 191 .....	\$ 1,400.00
Outstanding December 31, 1943 .....	\$ 3,800.00

### Summary of Town Debt

Temporary Loans (Revenue) .....	\$ 75,000.00
Temporary Loan (Highway) .....	2,000.00
Municipal Relief Loans .....	4,050.00
School Department Loans .....	9,000.00
Fire Department Loan .....	1,500.00
Water Department Loan, Bonds .....	187,500.00
Water Department Loan, Notes .....	2,800.00
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Outstanding December 31, 1943 .....	\$281,850.00
Outstanding December 31, 1942 .....	\$356,956.45
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Decrease .....	\$ 75,106.45

# BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1943

Dr.		Cr.	
Cash in Treasury .....	\$ 94,377.19	Temporary Loans (Anticipation of Revenue) \$	75,000.00
Uncollected Taxes:		Temporary Loan (Highways) .....	2,000.00
1933 .....	\$ 8.58	Police Department .....	325.00
1937 .....	88.63	Aid Dependent Children—U. S.—Adm. ....	184.08
1938 .....	151.87	Aid Dependent Children—U. S.—Aid.....	125.48
1939 .....	491.90	Old Age Assistance—U. S.—Adm.....	203.27
1940 .....	198.26	Old Age Assistance—U. S.—Assist.....	1070.71
1941 .....	1,294.56	Civilian Defense .....	227.68
1942 .....	18,660.12	Vocational Training (1932-1936) .....	695.24
1943 .....	47,840.19	Water Department .....	1,898.65
	— \$ 68,734.11	Shawsheen Ave.-Lake St. Water Mains.....	500.00
Uncollected Motor Vehicle and		Trust Funds, 1943 Income .....	86.12
Trailer Excise Taxes:		Surplus War Bonus Funds .....	1,475.83
1939 .....	\$ 167.78	State Highway Damages .....	84.00
1940 .....	286.02	Tailings Account .....	352.99
1941 .....	219.60	1941 Overlay .....	268.58
1942 .....	271.37	1942 Overlay .....	2,390.84
1943 .....	122.69	1943 Overlay .....	4,967.64
	— \$ 1,067.46	Dog Licenses (Due County) .....	21.00

Trust Funds 1939 .....	11.14
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	
(Account Highways) .....	304.28
County of Middlesex, (Account Highways) ..	304.28
County Tax 1943 (Balance) ) .....	289.95
Revenue Account (Deficit) .....	485.31
Authorized Loans .....	2,000.00
1940 Overlay .....	199.93
Tax Titles .....	22,023.65
Tax Title Possessions .....	335.46

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\$190,132.76

Net, Funded or Fixed Debt .....

Water Department Bonds .....	\$187,500.00
Water Department Notes .....	2,800.00
Fire Department Notes .....	1,500.00
School Department Notes .....	9,000.00
Municipal Relief Notes .....	4,050.00

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\$204,850.00

State Parks and Reservations .....	5.54
Highway Machinery Fund .....	641.05
Cemetery Reserve Fund .....	2,467.00
Loans Authorized—Unissued .....	2,000.00
Tax Titles—Revenue .....	22,023.65
Tax Titles Possessions—Revenue .....	335.46
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Tax	
—Revenue .....	1,067.46
Excess and Deficiency Account .....	69,715.49

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\$190,132.76

# TRUST ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities .....	\$ 23,609.53	
Sears Cook Walker School Fund .....	\$	316.20
S. D. J. Carter Lecture Fund .....		6,713.81
Chester W. Clark Library Fund .....		709.35
Burnap Library Fund .....		279.74
Benjamin Buck Library Fund .....		639.21
Charlotte C. Smith Library Fund .....		681.33
Sabra Carter Commoh Fund .....		200.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds .....		9,069.89
Lizzie T. B. Sweatt Cemetery Fund .....		5,000.00
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	\$23,609.53	\$23,609.53

HARRY R. DEMING,  
Town Accountant.

# REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS, 1943

	Bank	Book No.	Amount	Interest Accumulated	With- drawn	Balance on Deposit
S. D. J. Carter Lecture Fund	Woburn	56672	\$2,000.00	\$ 82.06		\$2,082.06
	Mechanics	11437	4,578.50	176.38		4,754.88
			<u>\$6,578.50</u>	<u>\$258.44</u>		<u>\$6,836.94</u>
<b>Library Funds:</b>						
Chester W. Clark	Mechanics	17540	\$ 500.00	\$221.81		\$ 721.81
Burnap	Andover	8512	200.00	85.35		285.35
Benjamin Buck	Andover	18341	500.00	152.05		652.05
Charlotte C. Smith	Mechanics	4215	500.00	193.30		693.30
Sears Cook Walker, Walker School Fund	Mechanics	12819	257.00	64.75		321.75
Sabra Carter Common Fund	Andover	18349	\$ 200.00	\$ 4.02	\$ 4.02	\$ 200.00
<b>Cemetery Funds:</b>						
Lizzie T. B. Sweatt	Town Note	333	5,000.00	150.00	150.00	5,000.00
Isaac Cazneau	Andover	18985	100.00	18.91		118.91
Geo. W. and Minnie A. Sidelink	Andover	22450	200.00	24.33		224.33
Susan S. Carlton	Andover	18345	75.00	13.39		88.39
Sabra Carter—Jaques Lot	Andover	18347	200.00	35.96		235.96
Wm. H. Carter	Andover	24637	100.00	15.56		115.56
Dolly Harnden	Andover	18342	100.00	10.40		110.40
Thomas B. Eames	Andover	18346	100.00	16.08		116.08
Sabra Carter	Andover	18348	100.00	23.90		123.90
Rich Carter	Andover	22451	100.00	10.61		110.61

	Bank	Book No.	Amount	Interest Accumulated	Withdrawn	Balance on Deposit
James Frazer .....	Andover	18343	200.00	31.76		231.76
Martha Temple .....	Andover	18344	100.00	11.22		111.22
S. D. J. Carter .....	Andover	22579	200.00	67.50		267.50
Thomas Day .....	Andover	31514	100.00	13.02		113.02
Almira J. Carley .....	Andover	32237	100.00	16.61		116.61
Jonathan Eames, 2nd .....	Andover	35188	100.00	12.98		112.98
Abner C. Childs .....	Woburn	33384	100.00	10.20		110.20
Gilman C. Harnden .....	Woburn	32614	100.00	9.47		109.47
Laura Parker .....	Woburn	32615	50.00	7.34		57.34
Sarah G. Sheldon .....	Woburn	33814	200.00	58.10		258.10
Charlotte C. Smith .....	Mechanics	4214	50.00	7.89		57.89
Chas. H. Hopkins .....	Mechanics	17526	200.00	45.80		245.80
Rufus C. Eames .....	Mechanics	17527	100.00	11.29		111.29
John Sheldon Sargent .....	Mechanics	17528	100.00	11.29		111.29
Isabelle Holt .....	Mechanics	17529	75.00	11.89		86.89
Henry Blanchard .....	Mechanics	17530	50.00	7.28		57.28
Nathan B. Eames .....	Mechanics	6899	100.00	13.60		113.60
Lorenzo Meads .....	Mechanics	7176	100.00	13.35		113.35
George E. Swain .....	Mechanics	17531	100.00	10.39		110.39
Josiah Monroe (Care Elbridge H. Carter and Walter Blanchard Lots) .....	Mechanics	7559	100.00	13.04		113.04
Jacob H. Shedd .....	Mechanics	17532	100.00	11.70		111.70
George T. Eames .....	Mechanics	17533	200.00	31.57		231.57
Newman Parker, Jr. ....	Mechanics	17534	100.00	13.16		113.16
Irwin E. Morse .....	Mechanics	8531	100.00	20.41		120.41



	Bank	Book No.	Amount	Interest Accumulated	With- drawn	Balance on Deposit
Sylvester and Lois R. Carter .....	Mechanics	8990	100.00	16.01		116.01
Capt. George W. McIntosh .....	Mechanics	9662	200.00	44.60		244.60
Mary A. Gowing, Lot 410 .....	Mechanics	10283	100.00	15.51		115.51
S. Lizzie Carter, Lot 439 .....	Mechanics	10282	100.00	20.27		120.27
Julia M. Parker (Ward Parker Lot) .....	Mechanics	10641	100.00	15.52		115.52
Manuel and Elizabeth Dexter .....	Mechanics	10640	50.00	9.97		59.97
Jaques Gowing .....	Mechanics	10639	100.00	15.32		115.32
Maud K. Tuttle, Lot 60 B .....	Mechanics	10693	100.00	15.04		115.04
Benjamin T. Glover .....	Mechanics	10953	100.00	18.16		118.16
John W. Perry, Lot 222, Sec. D .....	Mechanics	10967	100.00	17.63		117.63
Mary E. Kelley, Lot 322, Sec. E. ....	Mechanics	10968	100.00	14.79		114.79
Caleb S. Harriman, Lot 53 .....	Mechanics	11642	100.00	17.23		117.23
John N. Eames, Lot 137 .....	Mechanics	11643	100.00	17.71		117.71
Lemuel C. Eames .....	Mechanics	12493	100.00	18.22		118.22
Sarah H. Jackson .....	Mechanics	12494	100.00	17.31		117.31
Henry H. Gowing, Lot 20 .....	Mechanics	12495	150.00	19.08		169.08
Susan A. Hamlin, Lot 646 A .....	Mechanics	12820	100.00	17.73		117.73
William H. McCabe, Lot 334 .....	Mechanics	12821	100.00	20.98		120.98
Walter A. Hill, Lot 458 .....	Mechanics	13322	100.00	19.09		119.09
Rachael Clough, Lot 132 .....	Mechanics	13323	100.00	19.09		119.09
Samuel Manning and Stephen Buck Lot 73 .....	Mechanics	13324	100.00	19.09		119.09
Clifford H. Wilson .....	Mechanics	13325	100.00	19.09		119.09
Edward B. Manning, Lots 196, 203 .....	Mechanics	13360	100.00	19.13		119.13
Thomas J. Morley, Lot 81, Sec. F. ....	Mechanics	17535	100.00	15.69		115.69
Sydney C. Buck, Lot 274, Sec. D .....	Mechanics	17536	100.00	14.72		114.72

	Bank	Book No.	Amount	Interest Accumu- lated	With- drawn	Balance on Deposit
John Simpson (Levi Swain Lots 134-140, Sec. B)	Mechanics	17537	150.00	25.62		175.62
Mrs. William T. Duffy, Lot 11, Main Ave. Sec. A	Mechanics	17538	100.00	14.40		114.40
Deacon Levi Parker, Lot 2, Old Cemetery	Mechanics	15602	100.00	16.25		116.25
Annie L. Priggen, Lot 75, Sec. F.	Mechanics	17539	100.00	13.70		113.70
Chas. and Ella Blaisdell, Lot 8, Sec. F.	Mechanics	17267	100.00	14.49		114.49
George Gowing, Lot 178, Sec. F.	Mechanics	17268	100.00	11.05		111.05
Mary Roman, Lot 501, Sec. F.	Mechanics	18151	100.00	10.77		110.77
Wilford Fletcher, Lot 637, Sec. B	Mechanics	18152	100.00	10.77		110.77
Milo Van Steensburg, Lot 93, A, Sec. F.	Mechanics	18153	100.00	7.09		107.09
Sarah A. Call, Lot 295, Sec. D.	Mechanics	18955	100.00	8.13		108.13
Elbridge Harnden	Mechanics	19870	100.00	5.72		105.72
Pettengill-Glover	Mechanics	19869	100.00	5.72		105.72
August G. MacLeod, Lot D, 1193.	Mechanics	20895	100.00	3.45		103.45
Mrs. Guy B. Cook, Lot 182	Mechanics	22004	150.00	2.38		152.38
Estate, Arthur O. Buck, Lot 7	Mechanics	22005	100.00	1.58		101.58
Edward Nfl Eames, Lot 642, Sec. B.	Machanics	22921	100.00	.13		100.13
Mary F. Fitzgerald, Lots 110, 111	Mechanics	23337	100.00			100.00

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\$15,357.00	\$2,109.51	\$154.02	\$17,312.49
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CALEB S. HARRIMAN,

EDWARD N. EAMES,

PHILIP BUZZELL,

Trustees of Trust Funds.

## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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To Harry J. Ainsworth, Constable of the Town of Wilmington:

Greetings: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in the By-Laws of said Town, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Monday, the Sixth Day of March next, at 9:45 o'clock in the forenoon, the polls to be open at 10:00 A. M., and shall be closed at 8:00 P. M., for the election of Town Officers.

Article 1. To bring in your votes on one ballot respectively for the following named Town Officers, to wit: One Selectman, who shall also act as a member of the Board of Survey for the term of three years; one Assessor for the term of three years; a Town Clerk for the term of one year; a Town Treasurer for the term of one year; a Collector of Taxes for the term of one year; a Constable for the term of one year; one member of the Board of Public Welfare for the term of three years; two members of the School Committee for the term of three years; two Trustees of the Public Library for the term of three years;; one member of the S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee for the term of five years; one Water Commissioner for the term of three years; one member of the Planning Board for the term of three years; one Tree Warden for the term of one year; one Trustee of Trust Fund for the term of three years; one Moderator for the term of one year.

You are also further required and directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington, who are qualified to vote on elections and town affairs therein, to assemble subsequently and meet in Town Meeting at the Grange Hall, Wildwood Street, in said Town of Wilmington, on Monday, the Thirteenth day of March, A. D., 1944 at eight o'clock, P. M., then and there to act on the following Articles:

Article 2. To choose all other Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To hear the reports of Committees and act thereon.

Article 4. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the following items:

General Government  
Protection of Persons and Property  
Highways  
Charities  
Soldiers' Benefits  
Educational  
Water Department  
Cemetery

Library  
Parks  
Insurance  
Maturing Debt  
Interest  
Unclassified  
Reserve Fund  
Health and Sanitation

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1944, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to pay for insurance providing indemnity for the protection of the officers and employees of the Highway, Cemetery and Police Departments of the Town against loss by reason of their liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries, including death, at any time resulting therefrom, caused by the operation, within the scope of their official duties or employment of motor vehicles owned by the Town, to an amount not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) on account of injury to or death of one person, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, Chapter 40, of the General Laws, as amended or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) for the observance of Memorial Day, and that the Moderator appoint a committee who shall arrange and have charge of such observance, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell at public auction in the evening, properties taken by the Town under Tax Title foreclosure procedure, and to execute all documents necessary to carry out the purpose of this vote, provided however, that before any sales are made due notice of the time and place of sale shall be given by advertising in the local paper and Lowell Sun at least fourteen (14) days before the sale and deeds executed hereunder must be recorded within twenty (20) days of their execution.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey, in the name and on behalf of the Town, without further pay-

ment therefor, to Joseph P. Thibeault or his nominee, all the Town's right, title and interest in and to the land with the buildings thereon, shown as Lots 5, 6 and 7 in Block 16, Section D, containing 7500 square feet, on Woburn City Land and Improvement Company Plan, recorded with Middlesex North District Deeds, Plan Book 6, Plan 17; said land having been bid in for the Town at a tax sale, and conveyed to it by George W. Buck, Collector of Taxes, by deed dated November 10, 1933, recorded with said Deeds, Book 835, Page 186; and the right of redemption in said land having been conveyed to the Town as the result of a so-called "low value" sale, authorized by the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation, by Frank L. Eames, Town Treasurer, by deed dated December 10, 1936, recorded with said Deeds, Book 891, Page 294; the Selectmen then in office having voted, on May 29, 1939, to sell said land to said Joseph P. Thibeault for the price of Two Hundred (\$200) Dollars, payable in installments, and said Joseph P. Thibeault having now paid said purchase price to the Town in full. or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey in the name and on behalf of the Town, without further payment therefor, to George E. Pelletier or his nominee, all the Town's right, title and interest if any, in and to the land shown as Lots 163 and 164, on Maple Road, on the Silver Lake Pines Addition Plan, being the same premises formerly owned by Elizabeth V. McKenna, as evidenced by Land Court certificate of title No. 2640; said land having been bid in by said George E. Pelletier at a "low value" tax sale, and paid for in full by him; but a deed therefor running to the Town having through error been executed and recorded following said sale; or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.58 for 1943 unpaid Police Department bills and \$31.72 for 1943 unpaid Soldiers' Relief bill, and \$45.00 for 1943 unpaid Unclassified bill and \$68.89 for 1941, 1942 unpaid Cemetery Department bills.

Article 12—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or some other amount, the money to be expended under the direction of the 4-H Town Committee, serving in cooperation with the Middlesex County Extension Service under the provisions of Section 40 to 45, Chapter 129, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Welfare to appoint one of its members as agent for the Board and fix the salary of such agent in accordance with the provisions of



Section 4A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws. Request of the Board of Public Welfare.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$874.31 from the Excess and Deficiency Account to the Water Department or do anything in relation thereto. Request of the Water Department.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or any amount for the purpose of purchasing a new automobile and equipment therefor for the Police Department and/or authorize the sale or turn in of the present police car as a credit toward such purchase, or do anything in relation thereto. Request of the Chief of Police Department.

Article 16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for the enlargement and upkeep of the Town Honor Roll, or do anything in relation thereto. Request of the Honor Roll Committee.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) from the Excess and Deficiency account, the same to be used for the purchase of War Bonds, the proceeds of which are to be used for future water main extensions at discretion of the Board of Water Commissioners, or do anything in relation thereto. Request of the Finance Committee.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars, (\$750) for the purpose of leasing under the authority of Section 9 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, as amended, the American Legion Club house in Wilmington for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for the Wilmington Posts of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to accept Faulkner Avenue as laid out by the Board of Survey, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept Cunningham Street as laid out by the Board of Survey, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept McDonald Road as laid out by the Board of Survey, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Board of Selectmen to contract for three (3) electric lights to be installed on Forest Street from Aldrich Road easterly, to do anything in relation thereto. Petition of Deborah Kleyen and others.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Board of Selectmen to contract for three (3) electric lights to be installed on Beacon Street, Belmont Street and Fairview Avenue, or do anything in relation thereto. Petition of Harry J. Cutter and others.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote, to elect by official ballot, at the next annual election, the Supt. of Streets for a term of three years or do anything in relation thereto. Petition of William H. Feindel and others.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to increase the salaries and compensation of the Fire Department, Police Department, Water Department and Highway Department for the emergency and see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate thereof. Petition of Roy A. Bousfield and others.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to name the new school house at Silver Lake the Mildred H. Rogers School or do anything in relation thereto. Petition of Anna R. Barry and others.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Eleven Hundred Dollars (\$1,100.00), for the purpose of purchasing the so-called Hiller cranberry meadow, located between Church Street, Adelaide Street and Middlesex Avenue, containing 4½ acres, to be used as a park or do anything in relation thereto. Petition of Enid M. Aldrich and others.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant, or a certificate copy thereof, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk as soon as may be and before said meeting.

Given under our hands and Seal of Said Town this 21st Day of February, A. D., One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-four.

CHARLES H. BLACK, Chairman  
FRANK W. DAYTON  
JOHN D. COOKE

Selectmen of Wilmington.





# *Annual Report*

OF THE

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

OF

**WILMINGTON, MASS.**



TOGETHER WITH THE

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

**FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,**

**1943**

## REPORT OF SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

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### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. August MacLeod, Chairman	North Wilmington	1941-1944
Mrs. Vilma Bedell, Secretary	Wilmington	1941-1944
Mr. Burt Tilley	Wilmington	1943-1946
Mr. Adam Galka	Wilmington	1943-1946
Mr. Charles Baldwin	Wilmington	1942-1945
Mr. Ernest Crispo	Wilmington	1942-1945

### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Mr. Stephen G. Bean	Wilmington, Tel. 343 or 542
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### SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dr. Ernest C. MacDougall	Wilmington, Tel. 432
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### SCHOOL NURSE

Mrs. Esther Nichols	Wilmington, Tel. 744
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### ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Mr. Ernest Cail	Wilmington, Tel. 571
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# **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

## **1944**

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January 3 to February 26

### **Winter Vacation**

March 6 to April 29

### **Spring Vacation**

May 8 to June 24

### **Summer Vacation**

September 6 to December 23

### **Christmas Vacation**

Winter term commences January 2, 1945

### **HOLIDAYS**

January 1

May 30

February 22

October 12

Good Friday

November 11

April 19

November 23 and 24

## REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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To the Citizens of the Town of Wilmington:

It has been our endeavor during the past year to carry on school activities in as normal a manner as possible.

Required repairs on the school buildings have received attention in so far as available material and labor have permitted. Several of the class rooms have been painted, in line with our present policy of accomplishing a certain portion of such work each year. The exterior of some buildings shows the need of paint, but the shortage of labor necessitated the postponement of work of that nature.

The foundation of the West School was discovered to be in very bad condition. This has been repointed, and new cement water tables plus some carpentry work has restored the building to at least a safe condition. Incidentally, these repairs have made the class room much more comfortable and easier to heat during the winter months.

It has been demonstrated that the new lighting fixtures, installed last summer in the laboratory and typewriting rooms in the High School, are a great improvement over the previous inadequate arrangement. Provided the equipment can be obtained, it is the intention to improve upon the lighting in some other rooms during the ensuing year.

The contract covering bus transportation, which had been in effect for three years, expired last June. Because of the substantial increase in cost, it was considered inadvisable to negotiate for another contract at this time, and consequently, the bus transportation is being conducted on a "spot basis" during the current school year.

The committee in charge of the Wilmington Community Band has offered to present to the School Department the various instruments and equipment owned by the Band, with the understanding that in the future the School Department shall have entire supervision over the Band. The School Committee is mindful and appreciative of the earnest and successful efforts of the few citizens who were responsible for the creation of the Band several years ago, and is willing to accept the generous offer with the intention of eventually having a School

Band that will add much to the spirit and activities of the students. Present conditions may preclude rapid progress, but at least a start should be made this year in developing the musical talents of interested students.

The need of a new High School building becomes more apparent each year. The present building is inadequate and inasmuch as the Town now possesses property (the Roman Estate) that would lend itself ideally for the purpose and, also, add much to the attractiveness of the community, it is hoped the citizens will bear in mind the importance of planning for a new High School and an adjoining athletic field. For the duration of the war, building construction may be prohibitive, but the preparation of plans and advanced study of the entire project, would in a sense lay the ground work and speed the day when our town can provide more modern and appropriate surroundings for the education of High School students.

Respectfully submitted,

AUGUST G. MacLEOD, Chairman

VILMA B. BEDELL, Secretary

CHARLES A. BALDWIN,

ERNEST M. CRISPO,

ADAM GALKA,

BURT TILLEY,

Wilmington School Committee.

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To the Wilmington School Committee:

Madam and Gentlemen:

I am pleased to have the honor to present herewith my Twentieth Annual Report as Superintendent of Schools in Wilmington. This period has covered the post war period of World War I, the long years of depression, and thus far into the second great world conflict. It has been a period full of difficult problems for our schools and especially for our particular schools because of the nature of this community. Financial problems combined with a school population out of proportion to the total population has made it difficult to maintain an adequate educational system in a not too rich residential town. I believe that the quality of educational accomplishment which we have maintained is a great credit to those citizens who have given so generously of their time and effort as members of the school committee during these turbulent times. In looking over some of the financial records of these years, I often wonder how we even kept schools, to say nothing of the high quality of accomplishment that was maintained.

### GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

Recently I received an inquiry from a retired university professor who has been making a study of educational statistics of the Commonwealth as to the reason for the fact that a year or so ago twenty-seven per cent of the total population of Wilmington was enrolled in its schools. When I reply to that letter I can call his attention to the fact that in some comparatively recent years nearly one-third of the town's population was in school in our twelve grades. I believe that this is a fact of which many citizens are unaware. It is very important fact too. It has a direct bearing on the over all cost of maintaining the system. Twenty per cent of the total population in school is a high average. If our school population were average we could cut the greatest educational expense, cost of teaching, by nearly fifty per cent. This is because we would need that percentage less teachers. Better still we could cut our teaching staff twenty-five per cent and reduce the number of pupils per teacher to almost ideal proportions.

Another pertinent question in this same letter was that referring to the very high proportion of our teaching staff having college degrees.

He cited cases of much more pretentious systems where the proportion is away below ours. He shows that over 55% of our elementary teachers in 1942 had college degrees. The facts at present are that 63% have such degrees. He also draws the very interesting conclusion that in general the best trained teachers are the lowest paid. In this observation he actually answers his own question. Our rate is high because our salary schedule has produced a large teacher turnover in recent years. To be sure these teachers are inexperienced when we hire them, but they are well trained. We seem to have been fortunate in picking them and have had some of the cream of the crop. In some cases we have had the good fortune to get those who had passed through their year of novitiate experience. Our geographical situation has also been a helping factor.

There were other questions in this letter and quotations of statistics which indicate what we have long known, that Wilmington has certain conditions which are peculiar to Wilmington. Many of these interesting facts have been mentioned in my reports over the years. They mean little to us because they are our own problems. To a student of educational administration they are puzzling. They are unusual.

## PERSONNEL

The mention made above concerning teacher turnover brings to mind the experience in this field during the past year and in the twenty year period. At present there are but three teachers now in the system who were here twenty years ago. Of the remainder, twelve names were not on the roster of school teachers a year ago at this time. There have been over twenty changes in the teaching staff since June, 1942. This is more than fifty per cent of the total number of teachers employed. In a business organization such a turnover would seem calamitous. In industry an appeal would immediately reach to the government and even Congress. We have taken it in stride and have maintained a very fine corps, as a whole.

The administrative heads of the various schools are the same as last year with the exception of the Daniel T. Buzzell School. The demands of the war training courses in the high school made it necessary for Mr. Hood to give up supervision of this school and Miss Alyce G. O'Brien, the senior teacher on the staff, was made Principal until such time as a suitably qualified man can be secured for the position, it being the hope that we may secure a man who can guide the boys of this school in athletics and physical training.



The phenomenal turnover in the high school staff will, no doubt, appear in the report of the Principal, Mr. Hood. I shall confine my report on changes to the elementary schools which are as follows:

School	Former Teacher	Present Incumbent
Buzzell	Rita Dineen Casey (trans.)	Mrs. Albert Mooney
	Mary Coologhan	Alma Abramson
	Elene Farello (trans.)	Clementia Scopa
	Gertrude Bailey	Margaret Bartley
Center	Virginia Hill Erickson	Kathleen O'Malley
	Irene Menihane	Margery Waring
Whitefield	Mary Feeley (trans.)	Lena Doucette (ret.)
Maple Meadow	Rita Doherty	Mary Feeley (trans.)
North	Substitute	Mrs. Esther McLay
Maple Meadow		Louise Wood (1 mth.)

#### Supervisors

Music	Harriet Donehue	Evelyn Mekelatos
Phys. Education	Evelyn Wells	Doris Lindh
Art	Mrs. Shirley Gulliver	Vacant

(trans.) transferred to another school  
(ret. ) returned after long illness

The situation was further complicated during the year by the fact that we were obliged to use substitutes for several extended periods while searching for regular teachers. We are fortunate indeed to have these married ex-teachers who are willing to fill in cases of temporary need. It is no simple task to step in and take over a class on an hour's notice, particularly if the regular teacher has been lax in the keeping of her plan book.

#### ENROLLMENT

There was a slight decrease in enrollment from October 1, 1942, to the same date in 1943. Strangely enough the drop was in the elementary grades rather than in the high school. Since October, however, there has been a further decrease in high school membership due to enlistments and to some defection in favor of jobs. This latter, leaving to go to work is shortsighted policy on the part of both children and parents. These children are going to need every bit of education they can get to meet the post war conditions. This is not the prejudiced opinion of those in the profession, but it is considered



the judgment of leading authorities in all lines of endeavor. Tabulations showing the actual distribution of school membership by schools and grades will be found later in this report. The grade totals are an excellent index as to probably future enrollments and are an aid to planning future school accommodations, the need of which is more and more evident.

## SCHOOL PLANT

Here again one line of thought leads logically to another subject for consideration. This is a line of future action which calls for careful thinking though. There are so many possibilities which may be resultant from this war that it behooves all of us to begin planning.

The daily newspapers and the monthly periodicals of the thought-provoking type are presenting probable demands on education after the war which are entirely new to us. This new education will not involve children and adolescents only. There is a definite trend towards preparation to meet the needs of these boys of ours who have been yanked out of school before they could finish their preparation for life. While there are many promises of what will be done for the returning veterans and all sorts of plans for preferment of the returned heroes, this is still a cold blooded, hard boiled world of survival of the fittest. There will be a crying need for young recruits in all of the professions, all of which demand a long period of educational preparation. There have, as yet, been no royal roads or short cuts found for any of these. The only short cuts will be by means of more continuous application to study and fewer periods of flowery ease when the weather gives the call to the out of doors.

Our planning here must be for better equipment to handle these new problems. The call may well be for more and better vocational training as well as more carefully planned courses directed towards the professions. War experience may show us how to eliminate some of what we thought were the essentials for proper preparation. New methodologies may emerge from wartime experiences which will change materially our customary procedures. These demands will call for a better and perhaps different type of school plant than we now have. This applies especially to our high school plant.

Present indications are that the federal government is already looking forward to another era of subsidized projects of which schools will be an important part. Since we will all have our share in the payment for these it seems only good sense and good business to share in the benefits. Usually such things are administered on a priority

of claims basis. Our plans should be ready early. When ready they should be adequate and complete. The one care should be to see to it that our plan fits our local requirements and is not patterned on conditions which do not exist here.

Not only do we need to plan for our high school housing but there is very decided need for better elementary facilities. The Center School has practically outlived its usefulness. The cost of trying to put it into decent condition would be prohibitive. Architecturally it is impossible as a school building for modern times. The two portable schools have also given us all of the service due for the money they cost. They were temporary makeshifts in the beginning; forced upon us by the unpredictable influx of ninety-six children extra in one school vacation. When new they were hygienically the best school buildings in the town. They are temporary structures, however, and have had their day and done their part. The Walker School seems to be in good structural condition but should certainly have some form of safe exit from the rooms on the second floor.

### UNUSUAL INTERRUPTIONS

Twice during the fiscal year the schools were called upon by the National Government to do a piece of work which they alone of all national organizations were capable of doing quickly and efficiently, on short notice, and with a minimum of preliminary training. The teachers of America may well be proud of this distinction. The two rationings, one in February and the other in October, were carried out with accuracy and celerity. The number of errors made and the number of blanks thereby voided was unbelievably small. The teamwork was superlative. These tasks which were approached with misgivings proved a source of extreme satisfaction in the way that the work was carried through and the spirit of cooperation.

By careful organization, with the very capable lieutenantcy of Mr. Hood, the amount of time lost from school by the children was reduced to a minimum. No little credit should be given to the citizens for their cooperation in observing the scheduled days for their applications. This helped to keep the time loss low. Fortunately, the educational authorities of the Commonwealth allowed us to cut short the length of the required school year so that schools were not forced to stay open during the heat of summer days.

### TRANSPORTATION

Early in the year we were called upon by the Office of Defense Transportation to reduce our bus mileage to a set minimum. Orders

were issued that no teacher or child should be transported by school buses who did not live at least two miles from the school attended. No discrimination was made as to age or grade. This meant that many children who had previously been allowed to ride from a mile and one-half limit were thereafter forced to walk. This involved the children of the first five grades. The only exceptions to this rule were for children suffering under a physical handicap such as to render a long walk a menace to health, or any case where extreme danger would accompany such walk. There is also a provision that children must walk at least one and one-half miles to the nearest bus line when necessary.

The local effect of these rules did not change materially our total bus mileage but did reduce the size of the loads which were approaching dangerous proportions. One short trip to the Maple Meadow School from the Federal Gardens section was eliminated by returning the children of this district to the Whitefield School where they actually belonged but whence they had been removed for a short period because of overcrowding in that school.

Because of the increasingly large number of children residing in the vicinity of Martin's Pond we were obliged to have the Cavanaugh Taxi Service make two trips to and from this section, or at least use two cars.

The cost of transportation was increased alarmingly when negotiations were entered into at the expiration of our contract with Holland Brothers in the summer. The company claimed, with some justification, that they had done this work for a number of years without profit. Increases in all costs connected with their business were offered in evidence to justify the increase. Some increase in cost had been anticipated and allowance made in the budget, but the increase was so great as to limit materially our ability to accomplish other things which were desired and needed. The budget for 1944 will necessarily be increased to meet this demand.

### THE NEW MINIMUM SALARY LAW

Also during this fiscal year the General Court passed a law raising the minimum salary that can be paid to any full time teacher from eight hundred fifty to twelve hundred dollars. Here again an increased strain was put on our financial balance. To be sure the Committee had already increased the salaries of the lower paid teachers to twelve hundred dollars but only part of this sum had to come out of the current budget. Here again is an element which must be met in full in 1944.

## IMPROVEMENTS

The work of bringing our schools up to a reasonably good state of repair, after a period of neglect due to the depression years, has been maintained. Some very desirable improvements have been made; notably in the improved lighting in two of the rooms in the High School. If our priorities will rate it, several more rooms should receive attention, especially those rooms created by the cutting up of the old assembly hall. Very high candle power lamps are now being used in those rooms and the cost of installation would eventually be paid by savings in current consumption.

## THE ROMAN PROPERTY

The town made what seems like a very wise move in acquiring the Roman property for future use for school purposes. As has been suggested earlier in this report, we should begin at once to plan for the time when the town may be able to meet the needs for adequate school housing.

## CONCLUSION

Your attention is directed to the reports of my various associates covering several departments within the school system. These will be found appended to this report.\*

I offer sincere thanks for the cooperation of everybody in the school system, whose efforts have brought the year to a successful conclusion.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN G. BEAN,

Superintendent of Schools.

January 27, 1944.

\*The report of the Supervisor of Art is omitted because there is no such supervisor at present. Mrs. Gulliver resigned during the year to take a more satisfactory position in Plymouth County towns.

The Supervisors of Music and Physical Education having been elected late in the fiscal year have no complete reports to offer.

## GUIDANCE AND PLACEMENT

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Mr. S. G. Bean,  
Superintendent of Schools,  
Wilmington, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

The ever-ready and willing co-operation of our principal and faculty of the senior high school has contributed immeasurably to greater progress and expansion in this relatively new department of our school.

Two school periods daily were allotted to this valuable work of guidance and placement. The results obtained have more than justified this limited expenditure of time and effort.

The guidance program has included testing the mental ability, aptitudes, interests, and personality of the upper classes. The main purpose of this kind of testing is the wise use of the results obtained in adjusting the pupil to the right kind of work in school, whenever possible, and also in adjusting to the right kind of work after graduation, so that his or her natural abilities and interests may best be utilized.

It is strongly recommended that more time may be allotted to this work of testing and of personal interviews after the testing; for this portion of the guidance program is no longer considered an experiment in our schools. This kind of testing has also been used in business and industry, and in our Armed Forces, for many years, and on a larger scale.

The placement or job-procurement side of our program has been very successful during the past year. Every June graduate is active in business, industry, college, or in the Armed Forces.

In addition to the above, many under-graduates have been aided in obtaining summer employment, and part-time winter jobs.

During the recent Christmas recess, thirty-five boys and girls were placed in temporary full-time jobs in Boston, Reading, Woburn, and Winchester,—their combined wages approximated seven hundred dollars.

This placement service has aided the pupils, parents, and employers, as well. New and better contacts with employers are being made each year, in order that new and better jobs may be procured for our boys and girls.

The following disposition of the June graduating class may also prove significant and interesting:

1. Entered Business .....	23
2. Entered Industry .....	3
3. Enrolled in Schools for Nurses .....	5
4. Enrolled in Colleges .....	4
5. Joined Armed Forces of the U. S. ....	20
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Total membership .....	55

Respectfully submitted,

CARL U. HARVEY.

January 1, 1944.



## REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

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Mr. S. G. Bean,  
Superintendent of Schools,  
Wilmington, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

It is my pleasure to submit my annual report as Principal of the Wilmington High School.

The effect of World War II on the secondary schools of America was felt with shocking suddenness late in 1942. The new school year had begun, class schedules and pupil programs had been made out and were in operation, and the school functioning as an intergrated whole. Then, with the changing of the Selective Service law to include the eighteen year old boys, came the request of our Military and Naval leaders to prepare the older high school boys for induction into the armed services. This request was supported by our Commissioner of Education who urged that every high school cooperate fully by introducing new courses of study and by the adaptation of existing courses to meet the wishes of the Federal Government.

Our school, as did every other high school in the state and nation, immediately set to work studying the problem. We found that we could offer classes in Aeronautics, Elements of Electricity, Elements of Machines, Radio Code, and Review Mathematics. In addition we were able to organize classes in Physical Fitness for boys, with the Seniors having ninety minutes and the Juniors forty-five minutes each day.

These changes necessitated the termination of several classes and the rearrangement of teachers' schedules. Happily, what might have led to chaotic conditions eventually resulted in a reasonably smooth transition from the old to the new order, due to the whole-hearted co-operation of teachers and pupils.

Many of our boys who have completed their basic training and returned on furlough have enthusiastically praised the pre-induction courses received in our high school and credited these courses as hav-

ing greatly helped them in their training. In these courses, then, we have accomplished two purposes: First, we have prepared the boys for basic training, and second, we have helped the government by sending boys who are better prepared for the training which they are to undergo. Within our limitations we have followed the course outlines furnished by the government.

War time restrictions have practically destroyed the high school athletic program, particularly in so far as competition with neighboring schools is concerned. We have been unable to maintain any sort of schedule in baseball, girls' field hockey, and girls' and boys' basketball. An abbreviated schedule in football was carried out this past fall. Transportation difficulties caused the curtailment of schedules as we are not permitted to hire buses nor use private cars. There is little hope for improvement in the situation until after the war.

It cannot be stated with any certainty, at this time, what changes the war will bring about in the high schools. We do know that World War I left its mark on the schools and we can be sure that the schools will be further changed by this war. There is a tendency toward the elimination of some subjects, the reorganization of others, and the introduction of new courses. It is quite probable that this tendency will continue, and that some of the new courses will be retained.

The secondary schools, having faced and solved the problem of pre-induction training, are faced with an even greater problem—namely, that of persuading pupils to resist the lure of high wages in favor of remaining in school and finishing their secondary training. This problem is common at many schools and is of such significance that writers in our education magazines are giving it considerable attention.

Dr. Edgar W. Knight, Professor of Education at the University of North Carolina, in an article in the December issue of *School Management* writes as follows:

“Young people who neglect their secondary educational opportunities now will find themselves in the exacting post-war period at serious disadvantage. They will find it difficult not only to extend their education, which they will find so greatly needed, but also to participate understandingly in the complex activities and the difficult duties which the years ahead will inevitably bring upon American citizens.

What these young people apparently do not know and what they should learn from teachers and parents during these confusing times



is that they can be of greater service to their country and communities in the hard years that are bound to come with reconstruction, if they remain in school and get the best preparation possible for their responsibilities after the war.'

Our turnover of teachers continues at a high rate due to the attractiveness of higher salaries in other towns. Miss Louise Marsh resigned in March and was replaced by transferring Miss Elene Farello from the Buzzell School. Miss Belcher and Miss Gretsche resigned in June and were replaced by a transfer of Miss Dineen from the Buzzell School and by the election of Mr. Copeland, who formerly taught in Princeton. Miss Devine left in October and that vacancy was filled by the election of Miss Bosketti.

No one knows what the postwar high school will be like. Many changes have taken place and no doubt other changes will follow. We shall keep informed of trends and changes as they occur and endeavor to maintain the same high standard for Wilmington High School as in the past.

In closing may I express my appreciation for your cooperation as well as that of the teachers and pupils of the high school.

Respectfully,

J. TURNER HOOD, Jr.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

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January 6, 1944.

Mr. Stephen G. Bean,  
Superintendent of Schools,  
Wilmington, Mass.

Dear Sir:

For the past few years my report has been chiefly one of statistics. As figures do not necessarily give a true or complete picture, I would like to report some of the things we are trying to do and some of the problems confronting us.

Our aim is maximum health for every child. The finding of conditions which may handicap a child or lead to future trouble, is the first step to be taken. This is done by the school physician, the school nurse, and the teachers. Endeavoring to correct these conditions the nurse visits the homes, consults with family physicians, hospitals and others.

One of the problems facing us at present is inadequate dental care. The shortage of dentists has made a school dental clinic impossible for the past two years. Many of our boys and girls have never been seen by a dentist. Neglected teeth undermine health, cause absence from school and are a source of grief in later years.

We have had the usual run of childhood diseases, but we have had no serious epidemics. Stricter observance of quarantine rules and greater vigilance on the part of parents would aid in checking contagion.

Tuberculosis control is still of primary importance. Incipient and new cases must be found with the help of X-ray. Known contacts and suspicious cases are under supervision.

War conditions prevented Holland Bros. from donating a bus to transport school children to the diphtheria clinic as in former years. We are indebted to the Women's Defense Corp. for transporting these children. 89 were immunized.

Milk, an important part of every child's diet is available at all schools at 2c per half pint.

Last spring we tried registering the children who were to enter school in the fall. Although only 60 were registered it showed that the first day of school need not be a day of confusion for teachers, and tears for children. Birth certificates, vaccinations, the first visit to school, correction of physical defects could all be done in the spring and early summer. I hope we will be able to do more along this line in the future.

A meeting of the school doctor and nurse with the superintendent of schools and the school committee for the purpose of discussing health problems and policies proved very helpful in planning our work for the future.

I wish to thank you, Mr. Bean, the teachers, and all who have helped in any way, our effort to attain maximum health for every child.

Respectfully submitted,

ESTHER H. NICHOLS, R. N.,

School Nurse.

## ROSTER OF SCHOOL EMPLOYEES

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Name	Position	Residence
Stephen G. Bean	Superintendent	Wilmington, Mass.
J. Turner Hood, Jr.	Principal High School	Wilmington, Mass.
George C. Kambour	Sub-master	Wilmington, Mass.
Harold Driscoll	Social Science and Athletics	Lawrence, Mass.
Carl Harvey	Commercial	Reading, Mass.
Marjorie R. Scanlan	Social Science	So. Braintree, Mass.
Myra Roberts	French and English	Tewksbury, Mass.
Elene Farello	Science	Wilmington, Mass.
Laura N. Marland	English and History	Andover, Mass.
Robert M. Copeland	Latin	Boston, Mass.
Mrs. George Webber	Commrcial	Wilmington, Mass.
Sally Bosketti	Commercial	Lawrence, Mass.
Rita Dineen Casey	English and Dramatics Supervisor of Drawing	Lawrence, Mass.
Evelyn Mekelatos	Supervisor of Music	Lowell, Mass.
Doris Lindh	Supervisor of Physical Education	Brookline, Mass.
Alyce O'Brien	Principal D. T. Buzzell School— Mathematics 8	Reading, Mass.
Alberta R. Mooney	English and Geography Grade 8	Lowell, Mass.
Alma Abramson	History and Geography Grade 8	Jamaica Plain, Mass.
Clementia Scopa	Mathematics and History Grade 7	Medford, Mass.
Elizabeth Evans	English and History Grade 7	Wilmington, Mass.
Margaret Bartley	Geography and History Grade 7	Lawrence, Mass.
Catherine Cryan	Acting Principal Center School	Lowell, Mass.
Marjorie Waring	Grade VI Center School	Lowell, Mass.
Kathleen O'Malley	Grade VI Center School	Lowell, Mass.
Louise Murray	Grade V Center School	Lowell, Mass.
Sybil Wiberg	Principal Walker—Grade I	Reading, Mass.
Olive Oman	Grades III and IV	Wilmington, Mass.
Phyllis Johnson	Grades II and III	Lexington, Mass.
Mary C. Patterson	Grade V	Woburn, Mass.
A. Estelle Horton	Principal, Whitefield School	Greenwood, Mass.
Lena Doucette	Grades II and III	Wilmington, Mass.
Olive Littlehale	Grade IV	Tyngsboro, Mass.
Theresa McLay	Grades I and II	No. Andover, Mass.
Helen Barrett	Principal Mildred H. Rogers School —Grade III	Lawrence, Mass.
Marjorie Harris	Grade II Mildred H. Rogers School	Woburn, Mass.
Barbara Purbeck	Grade I Mildred H. Rogers School	Medford, Mass.
Sylvia Shapiro	Grade IV Mildred H. Rogers School	Lowell, Mass.

Name	Position	Residence
Helen Patten	Principal Maple Meadow School— Grades III and IV	Wakefield, Mass.
Mary Feeley	Grades I and II—Maple Meadow School	Wilmington, Mass.
Esther T. McLay	North School—Special Class	No. Andover, Mass.
Lena M. Eames	West School	Wilmington, Mass.
Esther Nichols	School Nurse	Wilmington, Mass.
E. C. MacDougall	School Physician	Wilmington, Mass.
Miriam H. Ware	Clerk	Wilmington, Mass.
Ernest Cail	Janitor Buzzell School	Wilmington, Mass.
Charles F. Perry	Janitor High School	Wilmington, Mass.
Martin Nee	Janitor Center School	Wilmington, Mass.
Wilfred Babine	Janitor Whitefield School	Wilmington, Mass.
Albion Fiske	Janitor Walker School	Wilmington, Mass.
Francis Peters	Janitor Maple Meadow School	Wilmington, Mass.
John F. Fentross	Janitor Mildred H. Rogers School	Wilmington, Mass.
Ray Yorke	Janitor West School	Wilmington, Mass.
Leslie Durkee	Janitor North School	Wilmington, Mass.

# WILMINGTON SCHOOL REPORT

## AGE-GRADE DISTRIBUTION

October 1, 1943

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I	32	79	18	3														132
II		20	74	27	5	3												129
III			24	64	16	6	1											111
IV				17	63	19	7	1	1									108
V					19	64	11	10	1	1								106
VI						20	58	23	9	6	2							118
VII							15	57	19	15	1							107
VIII							1	23	50	30	5	2						111
T	32	99	116	111	103	112	92	115	80	52	8	2						930
IX									18	56	21	6						101
X									1	17	41	25	1	1				86
XI											20	39	9	1				69
XII												15	26	7	1			49
T									19	73	82	85	36	9	1			305
G.T.	32	99	116	111	103	112	92	115	90	125	90	87	36	9	1			1235

## SCHOOL-GRADE DISTRIBUTION

	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	S.C.	IX	X	XI	XII	T
WEST	23	20												43
MILDRED H. ROGERS	26	28	31	28										113
MAPLE MEADOW	26	17	16	13										72
WALKER	31	39	28	31	25									154
WHITEFIELD	26	25	36	36	41									164
CENTER					40	118								158
BUZZELL							107	111						218
NORTH									8					8
TOTAL	132	129	111	108	106	118	107	111	8					930
HIGH										101	86	69	49	305
GRAND TOTAL	132	129	111	108	106	118	107	111	8	101	86	69	49	1235

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*Annual Report*  
OF THE  
**TOWN OFFICERS**  
OF  
**WILMINGTON, MASS.**



*for the*  
FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,  
*1944*

BALFE SERVICE CO.  
LOWELL, MASS.



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**ELECTED AND APPOINTED**

**TOWN OFFICERS, 1944**

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**SELECTMEN AND BOARD OF SURVEY**

CHARLES H. BLACK, Chairman	Term expires 1947
JOHN D. COOKE	Term expires 1945
FRANK W. DAYTON	Term expires 1946
OLIVE M. SHELDON, Clerk	

**Moderator**

PHILIP B. BUZZELL

**Town Counsel**

PHILIP B. BUZZELL

**Town Clerk**

WILLIAM S. CAVANAUGH

**Honorary Treasurer**

FRANK L. EAMES

**Treasurer**

ALFRED S. ALLEN

**Collector of Taxes**

GEORGE W. BUCK

**Town Accountant**

Harry R. Deming

Term expires 1946

**Board of Public Welfare**

WALTER G. BUCKLE, Chairman	Term expires 1947
ROY A. BOUSFIELD	Term expires 1945
STEVEN COLUCCI	Term expires 1946

**Assessors**

GEORGE W. BUCK	Term expires 1945
JOHN D. COOKE	Term expires 1946
WILLIAM H. DOUCETTE	Term expires 1947

**Constable**

HARRY J. AINSWORTH

**Chief of Police**

HARRY J. AINSWORTH

**Deputy Chief**

FRANCIS S. HOBAN

**Sergeant**

TALBOT SIDELINKER

**Board of Health**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

CHARLES H. BLACK, Chairman	FRANK W. DAYTON
JOHN D. COOKE	
GERALD FAGAN, M. D. (Agent Board of Health)	
WILLIAM S. CAVANAUGH, (Special Agent B. of H.)	

**Inspector of Slaughtering**

RALPH B. ODIORNE

**Inspector of Animals**

RALPH B. ODIORNE

**Chief of Fire Department**

**EDWIN L. DAY**

**Assistant Chief Fire Department**

**WINFRED W. RICE**

**Forest Fire Warden**

**EDWIN L. DAY**

**Deputy Forest Fire Wardens**

**WINFRED W. RICE**

**EDMOND SARGENT**

**ERNEST W. EAMES**

**HERBERT C. BARROWS**

**CHARLES H. BLACK**

**GEORGE S. CUSHING**

**Forest Fire Patrol**

**ERNEST W. EAMES**

**JAMES CASTINE**

**Water Commissioners**

**CALEB S. HARRIMAN, Chairman**

**Term expires 1945**

**ALDEN N. EAMES**

**Term expires 1946**

**LOUIS T. McMAHON**

**Term expires 1947**

**Superintendent of Water Department**

**EDMUND H. SARGENT**

**Cemetery Commissioners**

**GUY E. NICHOLS**

**Term expires 1945**

**DAVID MARTIN**

**Term expires 1946**

**LOUIS T. McMAHON**

**Term expires 1947**

**Cemetery Superintendent**

**ERNEST W. EAMES**

### **School Committee**

AUGUST G. MacLEOD (Chairman)	Term Expires 1947
VELMA BEDELL	Term expires 1947
CHARLES A. BALDWIN	Term expires 1945
ERNEST M. CRISPO	Term expires 1945
BURT E. TILLEY	Term expires 1946
ADAM GALKA	Term expires 1945
STANLEY CADY (Military substitute for Adam Galka)	

### **Superintendent of Schools**

STEPHEN G. BEAN

### **Attendance Officer**

ERNEST CAIL

### **Inspector of Buildings**

CHESTER HORTON

### **Police Officers**

George Fuller

Frank Gammons

### **Special Police**

Lawrence Babine	Harry J. Froton	Gardner Ritchie
Wilfred Babine	John F. Hartnett	William Rogers
Truman Bennett	Harry P. Hemeon	Walter Smith
Samuel Bertwell	Horace Huntley	Harold Trainor
Ralph Bigger	John Joy	Harold Woodman
Herbert Boutwell	Adam Koslowski	Paul Lynch
Aristide Brabant	Lester Smith	John Farrell
Stanley Cady	Walter Surette	Arthur Kelley
Ernest Cail	John L. Wilson	Sumner S. Currier
Harry Cutter	Edward Lyons	Harry Goodearl
Simon Cutter	Joseph Marsi	Francis Gratecyk
Harold Sims	Clyde M. Martin	John Imbimbo
Benjamin Solow	Frank Miller	Francis Farrell
Stanley Webber	Garnet Mills	H. Oliver Newcomb
Ernest W. Eames	Ralph B. Odiorne	Joseph Galka
Frank Farrell	Edmund Palace	Howard Richards
Walter Fitch	Charles Penny	Joseph McManus
Harry Foster	Howard Richards	Walter Maker

### **Police Women**

Myrtle Shaw

Viola Staveley



**Keeper of the Lock-up**  
**HARRY J. AINSWORTH**

**Registrars of Voters**

JAMES J. GILLIGAN	Term expires 1946
CHARLES T. HUBBARD (Resigned)	Term expires 1945
VINAL E. LEWIS	Term expires 1947
TALBOT F. EMERY (to fill vacancy)	Term expires 1945
WILLIAM S. CAVANAUGH, Clerk	

**Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber**

WILFRED A. ANDREWS	FRANK PATCH
HERBERT C. BARROWS	CHARLES D. REILLY
HARRY R. DEMING	ARTHUR W. EAMES
John W. Babine	

**Measurers of Leather**

LAWRENCE W. HARRIMAN	PAUL CHISHOLM
RUSSELL J. GRACIE	

**Public Weighers of Merchandise**

EDWARD HASKELL	HARRY DEMING
ALGOT L. OSTERMAN	JOHN R. FLEMING
FRED W. CARTER	WILBER STAVELY
JOHN W. BABINE	

**Sealer of Weights and Measures**

SAMUEL P. PIKE, Sr.

**Superintendent of Streets**

JAMES H. WHITE

**Funeral Directors**

WILLIAM S. CAVANAUGH	JOSEPH B. McMAHON
GUY E. NICHOLS	

**Burial Agent**

JOSEPH B. McMAHON

### **Trustees of Public Library**

PHILIP B. BUZZELL	Term expires 1945
HELEN H. BUCK	Term expires 1945
EDWARD N. EAMES	Term expires 1946
PETER NEILSON	Term expires 1946
CHARLOTTE H. GLOVER	Term expires 1947
LOUIS T. McMAHON	Term expires 1947

### **Trustees of Trust Funds**

CALEB S. HARRIMAN	Term expires 1946
PHILIP B. BUZZELL	Term expires 1945
EDWARD N. EAMES (resigned)	Term expires 1947
EDWARD M. NEILSON (to fill vacancy)	Term expires 1945

### **Tree Warden**

JOHN W. BABINE

### **Superintendent for Suppression of Moths**

JOHN W. BABINE

### **Board of Appeal**

FRANK HADLEY, Chairman	Associate members
JOHN H. DOYLE	HERBERT HIGGINBOTHAM
STANLEY WEBBER	LOUIS L. KLEYNEN

### **Sarah D. J. Carter Lecture Fund Committee**

JOHN W. HATHAWAY	Term expires 1948
MILDRED E. NEILSON	Term expires 1947
FOSTER B. BALSER	Term expires 1946
ALICE M. ALLEN	Term expires 1945
ANNA R. BARRY	Term expires 1949

### **Planning Board**

HERBERT R. BOUTWELL	Term expires 1946
STANLEY CADY (Resigned)	Term expires 1945
WILLIAM A. ANDERSON (to fill vacancy)	Term expires 1945
LAWRENCE CUSHING	Term expires 1947

### **Finance Committee**

HERBERT C. BARROWS, Chairman	Term expires 1947
HAROLD E. MELZAR	Term expires 1947
JOSEPH P. RING	Term expires 1947
LAWRENCE M. FOLEY	Term Expires 1946
THOMAS C. DALY	Term expires 1946
WILLIAM P. CURTIN	Term expires 1946
JOSEPH M. GRIMES	Term expires 1945
KENNETH J. CHASE	Term expires 1945
WALTER FITCH	Term expires 1945

### **Ballot Clerks and Tellers**

Olive M. Sheldon	Natalie Giroux	Helen Gammons
Ernest W. Eames	Frederick Burbank	John Denehy
Grace Thurston	Edgar Shaw	Susan T. Esler
Justice Balser	Frank Kidder	Daisy Sciarappa
Mary Wilson	Rose Cavanaugh	Irene Elfman
Miriam Sullivan		Esther Surette

### **Custodian of Town Hall**

ERNEST W. EAMES

## **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

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**Record of Warrants and Proceedings of the Town Meetings,  
Summary of Births, Marriages and Deaths with a Statement  
of Money Paid the Town Treasurer on Account of Dog  
Licenses, also Statements of Money Paid Division of  
Fisheries and Game and Money Paid  
Town Treasurer.**

## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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To Harry J. Ainsworth, Constable of the Town of Wilmington:

Greetings: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in the By-Laws of said Town, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Monday, the Sixth Day of March next, at 9:45 o'clock in the forenoon, the polls to be open at 10:00 A. M., and shall be closed at 8:00 P. M., for the election of Town Officers.

Article 1. To bring in your votes on one ballot respectively for the following named Town Officers, to wit: One Selectman, who shall also act as a member of the Board of Survey for the term of three years; one Assessor for the term of three years; a Town Clerk for the term of one year; a Town Treasurer for the term of one year; a Collector of Taxes for the term of one year; a Constable for the term of one year; one member of the Board of Public Welfare for the term of three years; two members of the School Committee for the term of three years; two Trustees of the Public Library for the term of three years;; one member of the S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee for the term of five years; one Water Commissioner for the term of three years; one member of the Planning Board for the term of three years; one Tree Warden for the term of one year; one Trustee of Trust Fund for the term of three years; one Moderator for the term of one year.

You are also further required and directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington, who are qualified to vote on elections and town affairs therein, to assemble subsequently and meet in Town Meeting at the Grange Hall, Wildwood Street, in said Town of Wilmington, on Monday, the Thirteenth day of March, A. D., 1944 at eight o'clock, P. M., then and there to act on the following Articles:

Article 2. To choose all other Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To hear the reports of Committees and act thereon.

Article 4. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the following items:

General Government  
Protection of Persons and Property  
Highways  
Charities  
Soldiers' Benefits  
Educational  
Water Department  
Cemetery

Library  
Parks  
Insurance  
Maturing Debt  
Interest  
Unclassified  
Reserve Fund  
Health and Sanitation

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1944, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to pay for insurance providing indemnity for the protection of the officers and employees of the Highway, Cemetery and Police Departments of the Town against loss by reason of their liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries, including death, at any time resulting therefrom, caused by the operation, within the scope of their official duties or employment of motor vehicles owned by the Town, to an amount not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) on account of injury to or death of one person, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, Chapter 40, of the General Laws, as amended or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) for the observance of Memorial Day, and that the Moderator appoint a committee who shall arrange and have charge of such observance, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell at public auction in the evening, properties taken by the Town under Tax Title foreclosure procedure, and to execute all documents necessary to carry out the purpose of this vote, provided however, that before any sales are made due notice of the time and place of sale shall be given by advertising in the local paper and Lowell Sun at least fourteen (14) days before the sale and deeds executed hereunder must be recorded within twenty (20) days of their execution.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey, in the name and on behalf of the Town, without further pay-

ment therefor, to Joseph P. Thibeault or his nominee, all the Town's right, title and interest in and to the land with the buildings thereon, shown as Lots 5, 6 and 7 in Block 16, Section D, containing 7500 square feet, on Woburn City Land and Improvement Company Plan, recorded with Middlesex North District Deeds, Plan Book 6, Plan 17; said land having been bid in for the Town at a tax sale, and conveyed to it by George W. Buck, Collector of Taxes, by deed dated November 10, 1933, recorded with said Deeds, Book 835, Page 186; and the right of redemption in said land having been conveyed to the Town as the result of a so-called "low value" sale, authorized by the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation, by Frank L. Eames, Town Treasurer, by deed dated December 10, 1936, recorded with said Deeds, Book 891, Page 294; the Selectmen then in office having voted, on May 29, 1939, to sell said land to said Joseph P. Thibeault for the price of Two Hundred (\$200) Dollars, payable in installments, and said Joseph P. Thibeault having now paid said purchase price to the Town in full. or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey in the name and on behalf of the Town, without further payment therefor, to George E. Pelletier or his nominee, all the Town's right, title and interest if any, in and to the land shown as Lots 163 and 164, on Maple Road, on the Silver Lake Pines Addition Plan, being the same premises formerly owned by Elizabeth V. McKenna, as evidenced by Land Court certificate of title No. 2640; said land having been bid in by said George E. Pelletier at a "low value" tax sale, and paid for in full by him; but a deed therefor running to the Town having through error been executed and recorded following said sale; or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.58 for 1943 unpaid Police Department bills and \$31.72 for 1943 unpaid Soldiers' Relief bill, and \$45.00 for 1943 unpaid Unclassified bill and \$68.89 for 1941, 1942 unpaid Cemetery Department bills.

Article 12—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or some other amount, the money to be expended under the direction of the 4-H Town Committee, serving in cooperation with the Middlesex County Extension Service under the provisions of Section 40 to 45, Chapter 129, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Welfare to appoint one of its members as agent for the Board and fix the salary of such agent in accordance with the provisions of



Section 4A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws. Request of the Board of Public Welfare.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$874.31 from the Excess and Deficiency Account to the Water Department or do anything in relation thereto. Request of the Water Department.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or any amount for the purpose of purchasing a new automobile and equipment therefor for the Police Department and/or authorize the sale or turn in of the present police car as a credit toward such purchase, or do anything in relation thereto. Request of the Chief of Police Department.

Article 16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for the enlargement and upkeep of the Town Honor Roll, or do anything in relation thereto. Request of the Honor Roll Committee.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) from the Excess and Deficiency account, the same to be used for the purchase of War Bonds, the proceeds of which are to be used for future water main extensions at discretion of the Board of Water Commissioners, or do anything in relation thereto. Request of the Finance Committee.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars, (\$750) for the purpose of leasing under the authority of Section 9 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, as amended, the American Legion Club house in Wilmington for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for the Wilmington Posts of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to accept Faulkner Avenue as laid out by the Board of Survey, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept Cunningham Street as laid out by the Board of Survey, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept McDonald Road as laid out by the Board of Survey, or do anything in relation thereto.



Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Board of Selectmen to contract for three (3) electric lights to be installed on Forest Street from Aldrich Road easterly, to do anything in relation thereto. Petition of Deborah Kleyne and others.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Board of Selectmen to contract for three (3) electric lights to be installed on Beacon Street, Belmont Street and Fairview Avenue, or do anything in relation thereto. Petition of Harry J. Cutter and others.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote, to elect by official ballot, at the next annual election, the Supt. of Streets for a term of three years or do anything in relation thereto. Petition of William H. Feindel and others.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to increase the salaries and compensation of the Fire Department, Police Department, Water Department and Highway Department for the emergency and see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate thereof. Petition of Roy A. Bousfield and others.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to name the new school house at Silver Lake the Mildred H. Rogers School or do anything in relation thereto. Petition of Anna R. Barry and others.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Eleven Hundred Dollars (\$1,100.00), for the purpose of purchasing the so-called Hiller cranberry meadow, located between Church Street, Adelaide Street and Middlesex Avenue, containing 4½ acres, to be used as a park or do anything in relation thereto. Petition of Enid M. Aldrich and others.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant, or a certificate copy thereof, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk as soon as may be and before said meeting.

Given under our hands and Seal of Said Town this 21st Day of February, A. D., One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-four.

CHARLES H. BLACK, Chairman  
FRANK W. DAYTON  
JOHN D. COOKE

Selectmen of Wilmington.

# TOWN MEETING

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## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE TOWN MEETING HELD MARCH 6, 1944

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the voters assembled at the Town Hall on the above date. The Meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. Philip B. Buzzell.

On motion of Ernest W. Eames it was voted to dispense with the reading of the warrant except the Constable's return which was read by the Town Clerk.

The Moderator examined the ballot box which was found empty, the register indicated 0000, the ballot box was then locked and the key delivered to the Constable.

The ballot clerks and tellers being duly sworn, the official ballots were then delivered to the ballot clerks and receipts were taken by the Town Clerk.

At ten o'clock A.M. the Moderator declared the polls open.

At eight o'clock P.M. the Moderator declared the polls closed.

The names checked on the check list numbered nine hundred two. (902).

The following is the vote for the Town officers as announced by the Moderator.

### SELECTMAN (To act as Board of Survey, Three Years)

	Votes
Elected Charles H. Black, four hundred thirty-one.	431
Roy A. Bousfield, one hundred eighty-one	181
William H. Feindel, two hundred seventy-six	276
Blanks, fourteen	14

### MODERATOR (One Year)

Elected	Philip B. Buzzell, seven hundred twenty-two	722
	Blanks, one hundred eighty	180

### TOWN CLERK (One Year)

Elected	William S. Cavanaugh, seven hundred sixty-seven	767
	Blanks, one hundred thirty-five	135

### TREASURER (One Year)

Elected	Alfred S. Allen, six hundred ninety-eight	698
	M. Southmayd, one	1
	Blanks, two hundred three	203

### COLLECTOR OF TAXES (One Year)

Elected	George W. Buck, seven hundred forty-one	741
	Blanks, one hundred sixty-one	161

### BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE (Three Years)

Elected	Walter G. Buckle, six hundred sixty-four	664
	Blanks, two hundred thirty-eight	238

### CONSTABLE (1 Year)

Elected	Harry J. Ainsworth, seven hundred thirty	730
	Blanks, one hundred seventy-two	172

### WATER COMMISSIONER (Three Years)

Elected	Louis T. McMahon, seven hundred one	701
	H. Ainsworth, one	1
	Blanks, two hundred	200

### TREE WARDEN (One Year)

Elected	John W. Babine, six hundred ninety-two	692
	M. Hadley, one	1
	A. Boudreau, one	1
	Blanks, two hundred and eight	208

### ASSESSOR (Three Years)

Elected	William H. Doucette, six hundred eighty-nine	689
	Blanks, two hundred thirteen	213

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE (Three Years)

Elected	Vilma B. Bedell, six hundred twenty-seven	627
Elected	August G. MacLeod, five hundred eighty-three	583
	F. Hadley, one	1
	Blanks, five hundred ninety-three	593

### TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY (Three Years)

Elected	Louis T. McMahon, six hundred thirty-two	632
Elected	Charlotte H. Glover, five hundred fifty	550
	Blanks, six hundred twenty-two	622

### TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS (Three Years)

Elected	Edward N. Eames, six hundred sixty-seven	667
	Blanks, two hundred thirty-five	235

### S. D. J. CARTER LECTURE FUND (Five Years)

Elected	Anna R. Barry, six hundred sixty-one	661
	S. Yentile, one	1
	Blanks, two hundred forty	240

### PLANNING BOARD (Three Years)

Elected	Lawrence H. Cushing, six hundred sixty-six	666
	Blanks, two hundred thirty-six	236

The Meeting then adjourned until March 13, 1944.

Attest: WILLIAM S. CAVANAUGH,

Town Clerk.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE ADJOURNED ANNUAL  
TOWN MEETING HELD MARCH 13, 1944.

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At eight fifteen P.M. the Moderator called the Meeting to order.

Article 2. On motion of Herbert C. Barrows it was voted that a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to bring in a list of names as nominations for the several offices to be filled under this article.

The following list was submitted as nominations:

SURVEYORS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER

Wilfred A. Andrews  
Herbert C. Barrows  
Harry R. Deming

Frank Patch  
Charles D. Reilly  
Ernest W. Eames

John W. Babine

MEASURERS OF LEATHER

Lawrence Harriman

Paul Chisholm

Russell J. Gracie

PUBLIC WEIGHERS OF MERCHANDISE

Edward Haskell  
Algot L. Osterman  
Fred Carter

Harry Deming  
John R. Fleming  
Wilber Staverly

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER (Three Years)

Louis T. McMahon

On motion of Charles H. Black it was voted to instruct the Town Clerk to cast one ballot and declare the nominees elected.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEES

### REPORT OF HONOR ROLL COMMITTEE

The committee appointed to erect an Honor Roll in accordance with the motion sponsored by Mr. Paul Dayton, Past Commander of the American Legion Post 136, submit the following report:

The committee made provisions for an Honor Roll containing 600 names, believing at that time this would be of sufficient size to accommodate as many men as would enter the Armed Forces from Wilmington. Up to the time of writing this report there are 546 men from Wilmington in the Armed Forces and with the calls that are coming at the present time, and the boys that are enlisting, it looks as though the 600 names would be exceeded and in such a case it would be necessary to make an addition to the present Roll.

The committee wished to acknowledge the donation of materials and time by Frank Farrell of the John Farrell Sign Company. Mr. Farrell painted and erected the Honor Roll. We also wish to acknowledge the donation of material and labor by Mr. Herbert C. Barrows, of the North Wilmington Nurseries who landscaped the Honor Roll and donated the shrubs.

It would be very helpful in keeping the list complete if relatives of boys under 18 who enlist would notify the Honor Roll Committee, so that the names may be added. This is also true of women who may enlist in any of the branches of the Armed Forces.

Due to the possibilities of enlarging the Honor Roll and to provide for the additional names and upkeep, the Committee have requested an appropriation of \$200.00 for this purpose.

It is recommended that the Committee be continued so that the Honor Roll may be maintained.

L. T. McMAHON  
PAUL DAYTON  
LOUIS KENNEDY  
ELIZABETH KELLEY  
C. S. HARRIMAN

On motion of Harold E. Melzar, it was voted to accept the report and the life of the Committee to be continued.

Resolution by J. Turner Hood, Jr.

RESOLVED: That all monies received from Town salvage drives now in the possession of, or that shall hereafter come into the possession of the Chairman of the Salvage Division of Civilian Defense shall be placed in the Trust Fund of the Rehabilitation Committee to be used for rehabilitation of veterans of World War II.

VOTED: That the resolution be accepted and adopted.

Article 4. On motion of Herbert C. Barrows, it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the several and respected sums as recommended by the Finance Committee, each item to be taken up and voted on separately, subject to amendment.

The following sums were raised and appropriated under this article.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen	Transfers	Taxation
Salaries .....		\$ 650.00
Expenses .....		200.00
Town Accountant		
Expenses .....		75.00
Salary .....		1,000.00
Treasurer		
Foreclosures .....		800.00
Expenses .....		525.00
Salary .....		1,000.00
Tax Collector		
Expenses .....		1,000.00
Salary .....		1,600.00
Finance Committee .....		100.00
Assessors		
Expenses .....		325.00
Salary .....		300.00
Town Clerk		
Expenses .....		60.00
Salary .....		400.00
Election and Registration .....		1,800.00
Planning Board .....		50.00
Town Hall .....		2,250.00
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		\$ 14,135.00



## PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY

Police Department	
Expenses .....	\$ 1,725.00
Salaries and Wages .....	10,320.00
Constable .....	50.00
Ambulance .....	300.00
Fire Department	
Expenses .....	1,600.00
Salaries and Wages .....	7,500.00
Hydrant Rental .....	5,720.00
Inspection of Buildings	
Expenses .....	50.00
Salary .....	300.00
Board of Appeals .....	50.00
Sealer of Weights and Measurers	
Expenses .....	80.00
Salary .....	250.00
Suppression of Moths .....	1,500.00
Suppression of Elm Leaf Beetle .....	500.00
Tree Warden .....	800.00
Health and Sanitation .....	1,500.00
Public Health Nurse .....	1,000.00
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	\$ 33,245.00

## HIGHWAYS, ROADS AND BRIDGES

Highways—General .....	\$ 23,130.00
Road Machinery Account .....	500.00
Chapter 90, Maintenance .....	1,000.00
	725.00
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	\$ 25,355.00

On an amendment offered by John D. Cooke, it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,130.00 for General Highway Acct. \$1,000 of which to be used for the laying out of unaccepted sts. which Sts. are to be selected by the Board of Selectmen and \$1,130, to be used for increasing salaries of the Highways employees 10%.



## CHARITIES AND AID

Board of Public Welfare Administration .....	\$ 1,600.00
Aid .....	8,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children .....	6,000.00
Old Age Assistance Administration .....	1,000.00
Assistance .....	22,000.00
State Aid .....	600.00
Military Aid .....	600.00
Soldier's Relief .....	2,000.00
War Allowance World War 2 .....	1,000.00
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	\$ 42,800.00

## EDUCATION

Schools .....	\$ 92,700.00
Vocational Training .....	350.00
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	\$ 93,050.00

## MISCELLANEOUS

Library .....	\$ 1,000.00
Parks .....	350.00
Unclassified .....	1,500.00
Fire Insurance .....	1,000.00

Civilian Defense Unexpended Balance 1943, \$227.68

### Cemetery

On an amendment offered by Louis T. McMahon, it was voted to appropriate \$3,000.00 for Cemetery Department, of which \$2,000.00 to be raised by taxes and \$1,000.00 transferred from the Cemetery Reserve Account

2,000.00

Reserve Fund .....	5,000.00
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### Water Department

On an amendment offered by Herbert C. Barrows, it was voted that the Town appropriate the receipts and the unexpended balance from 1943 of \$1,898.65, of which \$7,219.25, be applied to the Interest Acct. and the further sum of \$10,000.00 to Maturing Debt.

### Interest

On an amendment offered by Herbert C. Barrows, it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,065.75, of which amount the sum of \$7,219.25, be appropriated from Water Revenue and that \$846.50, be raised by taxation.

\$46.00

Maturing Debt .....	12,450.00
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\$ 24,146.50

Total Amount to be raised by taxation under Article 4.....	\$239,731.50
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Article 5. On motion of Charles H. Black, it was voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1944, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 6. On motion of Frank W. Dayton, it was voted that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), be raised and appropriated to pay for effecting insurance providing indemnity for the protection of the officers and employees of the Highway, Police and Cemetery Departments, of the Town against loss by reason of the liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries including death, at any time resulting therefrom, caused by the operation within the scope of their official duties of employment of motor vehicles owned by the Town to an amount not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) on account of injury to or death of one person in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, Chapter 40, of the General Laws as amended.

Article 7. On motion of John D. Cooke, it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00), for the observance of Memorial Day, and that the Moderator appoint a committee who shall have charge of such observance.

The Moderator appointed the following Committee:

Vinal H. Conway, A. L.	Paul W. Dayton, A. L.
Ernest C. Cail, A. L.	John H. Doyle, A. L.
Edwin J. Twomey, A. L.	Joseph B. McMahon, A. L.
Justice V. Balser, A. L.	Guy E. Nichols, A. L.
Herbert Higginbotham, V. F. W.	John A. Howe, V. F. W. & A. L.
Ora W. Smith, V. F. W.	Louis Kennedy, V. F. W.
Howard Gates, V. F. W. & A. L.	Elizabeth Kelley, A. L. Aux.
Anna Barry, A. L. Aux.	Ann Marlin, V. F. W. Aux.
Lena Cavanaugh, V. F. W. Aux.	

Article 8. On motion of Charles H. Black, it was voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen, to sell at Public Auction in the evening, properties taken by the Town under title foreclosures procedure, and be authorized to execute all documents necessary to carry out the purposes of this vote, provided however, that before any sales are made due notice of the time and place of sale shall be given by advertising in the local paper and Lowell Sun at least fourteen

(14) days before the date and deeds executed hereunder must be recorded within twenty (20) days of their execution.

Article 9. On motion of John D. Cooke, it was voted that the Selectmen be and they are hereby authorized to convey, except for the further sum of \$50.00 in the name and on behalf of the Town, without further payment therefor, to Joseph P. Thibeault or his nominee, all the Town's right, title and interest in and to the land with the buildings thereon, shown as Lots, 5, 6, and 7, in Block 16, Section D, containing 7,500 square feet, on Woburn City Land and Improvement Company Plan, recorded with Middlesex North District Deeds, Plan Book 6, Plan 17; said land having been bid in for the Town at tax sale, and conveyed to it by George W. Buck, Collector of Taxes, by deed dated November 10, 1933, recorded with said Deeds, Book 835, Page 186, and the right of redemption in said land having been conveyed to the Town as the result of a so-called "low value" sale, authorized by the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation, by Frank L. Eames, Town Treasurer, by deed dated December 10, 1936, recorded with said Deeds, Book 891, page 294; the Selectmen then in office having voted, on May 29, 1939 to sell said land to said Joseph P. Thibeault for the price of Two hundred (\$200) dollars payable in installments, and said Joseph P. Thibeault having now paid said purchase price to the Town in full.

Article 10. On motion of Charles H. Black, it was voted that the Selectmen, be and they are hereby authorized to convey in the name on behalf of the Town, without further payment therefor, to George E. Pelletier, or his nominee, all the Town's right, title, and interest if any, in and to the land shown as Lots 163 and 164, on Maple Road, on the Silver Lake Pines, Addition Plan, being the same premises formerly owned by Elizabeth V. McKenna, as evidenced by Land Court certificate of title No. 2640; said land having been bid in by said George E. Pelletier at a "low value" tax sale, and paid for in full by him but a Deed therefor running to the Town having through error been executed and recorded following said sale.

Article 11. On motion of Frank W. Dayton, it was voted that the sum of \$172.19, be raised and appropriated to pay bills incurred by Departments of the Town as follows:

1943 Police Department Bills .....	\$25.58
1943 Soldiers' Relief Bills .....	31.72
1943 Unclassified Bills .....	45.00
1941-42 Cemetery Department Bills .....	69.89

Article 12. On motion of John D. Cooke, it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) the money to be expended under the directions of the 4-H Town Committee serving in co-operation with the Middlesex County Extension Trustees for county aid to agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service under the provisions of Section 40 to 45, Chapter 129, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 13. On motion of Mr. Colucci, it was voted that the Board of Public Welfare be and it is hereby authorized to appoint one of its members as agent for the Board and that the salary of such agent (which shall be the only compensation received by him from any source for service performed as such agent) be and the same is hereby fixed at the annual amount of eighteen hundred (1,800.00) to be paid from and in conformity with the appropriations voted for the administration costs of said board.

Article 14. On motion of Caleb S. Harriman, it was voted to transfer \$874.31, from the Excess and Deficiency Account to the Water Department.

Article 15. Voted to pass the article.

Article 16. On motion of Louis T. McMahon, it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the enlargement and upkeep of the Town Honor Roll.

Article 17. On motion of Herbert C. Barrows, it was voted that the town appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand dollars (\$10,000) from the Excess and Deficiency Account the same to be used for the Purchase of War Bonds the proceeds from the sale of which are to be used for future Water Main Extensions to be paid at the discretion of the Board of Water Commissioners.

Article 18. On motion of Frank W. Dayton, it was voted that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty \$(750) dollars for the purpose of leasing under the authority of Section 9 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, as amended, the American Legion Club House in Wilmington for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for the Wilmington Posts of the American Legion and of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

Article 19. On motion of Charles H. Black, it was voted that the Town accept Faulkner Avenue as laid out by the Board of Selectmen as the Board of Survey, from Glen Road for a distance of 671 feet.

Article 20. On motion of John D. Cooke, it was voted that the Town accept Cunningham St. as laid out by the Board of Selectmen as the Board of Survey, from Salem St., for a distance of 900 feet.

Article 21. On motion of John D. Cooke, it was voted that the Town accept McDonald Road as laid out by the Board of Selectmen as the Board of Survey, commencing on Salem St., and running on S. Lake St., 690 feet, Laurel Road 394 feet, and Grove St. 340 feet, and said streets to be renamed McDonald Road.

Article 22. On motion of Charles H. Black, it was voted that the Selectmen be instructed to contract for three (3) electric lights to be installed on Forest Street from Aldrich Road Easterly.

Article 23. On motion of Frank W. Dayton, it was voted that the Selectmen be instructed to contract for three (3) electric lights to be installed on Beacon Street, Belmont Street and Fairview Avenue.

Article 24. Voted to pass the Article.

Article 25. On motion of Irving Appleby, it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,370. for the purpose of paying the regular and part time employees of it various departments, namely: Fire, Police and Water Departments as bonus to the Amount of 10% of their earned salaries or pay retroactive to January 1, 1944, and payable quarterly, said bonus is to continue for the emergency, and payment is subject to the approval of the War Labor Board.

Article 26. On motion of Michael H. Barry, it was voted that the Town name the new school house at Silver Lake the Mildred H. Rogers School.

Article 27. Ruled out of order by Moderator.

On motion of Frank W. Dayton it was voted to adjourn.

There were 165 registered voters present.

Attest: WILLIAM S. CAVANAUGH,  
Town Clerk.



# VITAL STATISTICS

## BIRTHS

Number of Births recorded in 1944 ..... 88

## MARRIAGES

Number of Marriages recorded in 1944 ..... 46

## DEATHS

Number of Deaths recorded in 1944 ..... 81

Persons 70 years and over who died during the year 1944:

	<i>Years</i>	<i>Months</i>
William P. Balser .....	82	5
Charles O. Blaisdell .....	92	
Matthew J. Burns .....	87	
Constantinas Demaras .....	93	
Mary A. Doucette .....	74	
Lauretta V. Dow .....	79	
Agnes C. Eames .....	78	8
John Howard Eames .....	90	11
William Evans .....	72	
Charles L. Feindel .....	71	4
Elizabeth Gilligan .....	77	
Lester J. Goss .....	77	
James W. Hazen .....	83	3
Annie P. Hemeon .....	79	9
Nathan Kaminsky .....	75	
Dora Kelch .....	82	2
Clara F. Kershaw .....	83	5
Mary A. Kirkland .....	86	
Mary A. Lane .....	80	7
Rose Mazza .....	70	
H. Gertrude Moffitt .....	81	10
Mary A. Morley .....	79	
Edmond H. Nagle .....	75	6
Josephine Sargent .....	93	4
Jennie Scafalti .....	74	

	<i>Years</i>	<i>Months</i>
Jennie E. Smith .....	77	11
Matilda Smith .....	76	
William H. Sproul .....	92	5
William C. Stevens .....	77	6
Minnie Thompson .....	82	
Clarence E. Wells .....	70	
Austin C. Woodside .....	75	11
Maud R. Wyman .....	78	9

Report of Burials for Wildwood Cemetery for the year 1944

Wilmington residents died in Wilmington .....	23
Wilmington residents died elsewhere .....	20
Transfer from Tewksbury .....	1
Total .....	44

ERNEST W. EAMES,

Superintendent.

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Money Paid Town Treasurer on Dog License Account

Whole number licensed .....	447	
Males 340	Females 44	Spayed 67
By cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$ 993.40	

Report of Fisheries and Game Licenses

Whole number issued .....	274
Resident Citizen Fishing .....	89
Resident Citizen Hunting .....	75
Resident Citizen Sporting .....	57
Resident Minors and Women's Fishing .....	23
Resident Citizen Trapping (Minors) .....	2
Resident Citizen Trapping .....	6
Resident Citizen Sporting (Free) .....	13
Resident Military and Naval Sporting (Free) .....	8
Duplicate license .....	1

Compiled Records of Births, Marriages and Deaths

Number on hand January 1, 1944 .....	93
Number on hand January 1, 1945 .....	90

These records are on sale by a vote of the Selectmen at \$1.00 per copy. (Book stores are allowed to purchase these copies at 60 cents each) and may be obtained from the Town Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM S. CAVANAUGH,

Town Clerk.

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The Town Clerk will furnish to parents, householders, physicians and midwives applying therefor, blanks for returns of Births as required by law.



# JURY LIST—TOWN OF WILMINGTON

(REVISED 1944)

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<i>Name</i>	<i>Occupation</i>	<i>Address</i>
David Anderson	Leather Worker	Park St.
Thomas Bailey	Retired	Main St.
Charles A. Baldwin	Assis't. Stevedore	Jones Ave.
Joseph Barton	Truck Driver	Andover St.
Roy A. Bousfield	Shipper	Aldrich Rd.
Alexander Brabant	Retired	Salem St.
Edwin H. Buck	Banker	Middlesex Ave.
Fred F. Cain	Supervisor	Clark St.
James Castine	Leather Worker	Columbia St.
Vinal H. Conway	Gas Stat. Manager	Burlington Ave.
John W. Cook	Retired	Aldrich Rd.
Ernest M. Crispo	Stone Mason	Hopkins St.
Joseph Cunningham	Machinist	Off Glen Rd.
William P. Curtin	Editor	Glen Rd.
Harry V. Dailey	Trainman	Clark St.
Paul W. Dayton	Electrician	Burlington Ave.
John Denehy	Retired	Grove St.
Philip Denner	Supervisor	Chestnut St.
Clarence Doucette	Engineer	Ballardvale St.
Ernest H. Downing	Shipwright	Adams St.
John Doyle	Currier	Middlesex Ave.
Adrian Durkee	Barber	Middlesex Ave.
Ernest W. Eames	Laundryman	Concord St.
Talbot Emery	Shipper	Lake St.
John R. Evans	Poultryman	Ballardvale St.
John J. Finnerty	Manager	Off Beacon St.
John R. Fleming	Truckman	Off Salem St.
Alfred Gaddy	Retired	Off Shawsheen Ave.
William S. Hale	Fireman	Columbia St.
Harry Henderson	Laborer	Brentwood Ave.
Ralph Henderson	Mechanic	Woburn St.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Occupation</i>	<i>Address</i>
Herbert Higginbotham	Security Salesman	Chestnut St.
Hans Larson	Iron Worker	Glen Rd.
Lloyd S. Lewis	Salesman	Auburn Ave.
George McKittrick	Machinist	Eames St.
Louis Munson	Foreman	Church St.
Guy E. Nichols	Funeral Director	Middlesex Ave.
Wilber Staverley	Clerk	Middlesex Ave.
John Schwamb	Retired	Belmont Ave.
Floyd Sudsbury	Machinist	Church St.
Lewis Waterman	Mechanic	Adams St.
Ariel Woods	Signalman	Columbia St.
Walter Goss	Clerk	Cottage St.

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

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Wilmington, Mass., January 31, 1945

The following is the report of the Board of Assessors for the year 1944.

## VALUATION OF TAXABLE PROPERTY AS OF JANUARY 1, 1944

Real Estate .....	\$4,088,200.00
Personal Property .....	371,670.00

## RECAPITULATION

Real Estate Tax .....	171,704.40
Personal Property Tax .....	15,610.14
Poll Tax .....	3,228.00
Excise Tax .....	4,208.13
Dec. Commitment (R. E.) .....	90.30
Total Appropriation .....	261,442.94
Appropriation from Available Funds .....	11,000.00
State Tax .....	8,470.00
State Parks and Reservations .....	182.61
County Tax .....	5,417.80
Tuberculosis Hospital .....	1,364.79
Amount of Overlay .....	5,547.36
Overlay Deficits .....	199.93
Gross Amount to be Raised .....	296,605.75

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Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds .....	\$ 95,057.67
Total Amount Levied on Polls and Property and committed to the collector in 1944 .....	190,542.54

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	\$ 296,605.75
Tax Rate per \$1,000 for 1944 .....	42.00

**SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY, JANUARY 1, 1944**  
**REAL ESTATE**

Water Dept. Buildings Standpipe Equipment and Land	\$ 416,000.00
School Houses and Lots .....	148,450.00
Town Hall and Fire Equipment .....	7,500.00
Town Park .....	4,500.00
Cemetery and Buildings .....	23,000.00
Library Building and Land .....	2,000.00
Fire Engine House and Land .....	2,750.00
Moth House and Land .....	700.00
Common and Flag Staff .....	2,500.00
Highway Building and Land .....	5,000.00
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	\$ 602,400.00

**PERSONAL PROPERTY**

Highway Trucks Machinery, Etc. ....	\$ 5,000.00
Safes, Furniture, Etc. in Town Hall .....	2,000.00
Fire Trucks and Equipment .....	10,000.00
Sprayers and Fixtures .....	100.00
Sealers of Weights and Measures Equipment .....	2,000.00
Police Equipment .....	3,000.00
Town Ambulance .....	2,000.00
School Supplies, Furniture, Etc. ....	9,500.00
Furniture Water Department .....	500.00
Library Contents .....	2,800.00
Cemetery Trucks, Tools, Etc. ....	1,000.00

**WILMINGTON BOARD OF ASSESSORS,**

GEORGE W. BUCK, Ch.  
JOHN D. COOKE  
WILLIAM H. DOUCETTE

## REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNSEL

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January 26, 1945.

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

In accordance with the requirements of the Town By-Laws, I submit herewith my report as Town Counsel covering the year 1944.

A. On January 1, 1944, there were pending the following actions by or against the Town (exclusive of actions in which the Town was merely summoned as trustee, and in which it had no interest, and of tax lien foreclosure proceedings in the Land Court):

**City of Lowell v. Town of Wilmington, District Court of Lowell.**  
(Action of contract by City of Lowell to recover the sum of \$275.96 for special vocational training of certain pupils.)

**City of Lowell v. Town of Wilmington, District Court of Lowell.**  
(Action of contract by City of Lowell to recover \$657.77 plus interest for aid furnished in a public welfare case.)

**City of Lowell v. Town of Wilmington, District Court of Lowell.**  
(Action of contract by City of Lowell to recover \$721.90 for aid furnished in a public welfare case.)

**Town of Wilmington v. Josephine Zanotti et al, Middlesex Superior Court.** (Bill in equity to reach proceeds of fire insurance policy in satisfaction of claim for unpaid taxes.)

**Town of Wilmington v. A Certain Defendant, Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex.** (Action of Contract under G.L. Chap. 117, Sec. 5.)

**Jacob Levine & Sons v. Town of Wilmington, Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex.** (Action of contract to recover burial expense.)

B. During the year 1944 the following new action was brought against the Town:

Norman Alpert v. Daniel G. Tello, Henry F. Long, Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation, and Town of Wilmington; Land Court. (Bill in equity to remove cloud on title, alleging that a so-called "low value" sale of certain lots was invalid.)

During the year 1944 the Town brought the following new actions:

Town of Wilmington v. Anthony Rocco, Middlesex Superior Court. (Bill in equity to restrain piggery nuisance.)

Chester T. Horton, Inspector of Buildings v. Ann Briguglio and Ann's Duck Farm, Inc. Middlesex Superior Court. (Bill in equity to restrain violations of building and zoning by-laws.)

C. During the year 1944 no actions by or against the Town were settled or disposed of.

D. Compensation was received by the Town Counsel in said matters and in all other matters during the year as follows:

Compensation .....	\$ 525.00
Disbursements .....	79.53

(The above amounts were entirely on account of services rendered and disbursements paid in the calendar year 1943).

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP B. BUZZELL,  
Town Counsel.

## WILMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report for the Wilmington Police Department for the year 1944.

It is pleasing to report that we have not had a single major crime committed within our community during the past year and it's very gratifying to know that the greater majority of our citizens are law abiding as you will notice from lists of arrests made for the year show that most our troubles have been with persons from other cities and towns.

During the past year the Police Department have had many opportunities to serve the community. Over 700 complaints have been made to the department and all have been investigated with good results. Many of these complaints could be classified as Social Service work.

We have received and delivered over 175 emergency messages and many of these were very urgent Government messages of great importance, and I can assure you that the officers of the department deliver these important messages with great consolation and they are all willing to lend their aid and assistance in these times of anxiety.

The Radio that was installed in our Cruiser this year has proved a wonderful asset. It has enabled us to accomplish quick service in many cases. On one occasion when the Cruiser was out on call off MacDonald Road, a child was found dead and the Medical Examiner was called just by going to the radio in the Cruiser and placing a call through the Reading Police Department who take care of all our calls from and to the Cruiser. It also proved excellent service one morning at 4 o'clock at a fire off Hopkins Street in calling for assistance. Another time it proved itself helpful when there was no telephone in the vicinity, was in the case of a person who died of strangulation. At this time I wish to thank, through your Board, the excellent service rendered by the Reading Police Department who have furnished us with such excellent and speedy service.



Our records show that during the past year we have had many cases of child delinquency; such cases as malicious mischief, breaking into camps, etc. We try to make a practice of keeping these children from securing a Police Record by placing them on probation and have them report to me at the Police Station for a period of time until I feel that they have amended their troubles. It is unfortunate that we have no place in town where the boys and girls can go and have recreation. Of course the Town is so large in area it would not be possible to have a recreation center as some of these boys and girls would have to travel considerable distance to get to a so-called center. I still am convinced that more activities for the young people, such as athletics, social times, and the like is what we need for our young boys and girls growing up in the Town.

Our Police Association has been very active this past year. Meetings are held every Thursday evenings and the attendance has been excellent. Every Officer has qualified himself for Police duty and has been assigned to various duties in the Town. Not only do they give their time in doing Police work but they have also contributed to many worthy cases and have been of help in many ways to other organizations.

Many of our Officers have entered Military service and are now stationed in all parts of the world. One of our former officers is serving in the United States Secret Service and on many occasions has been with the President of the United States on many of his historic meetings.

The following list constitutes the names of our men of the Wilmington Police Department who are serving in the armed forces of the United States.

Francis S. Hoban  
Clyde M. Martin  
Paul Lynch  
John Imbimbo  
James McManus  
Joseph Galka

H. Oliver Newcomb  
Francis Farrell  
Sumner Carrier  
Arthur Kelley  
Walter Maker

During the year 1944 we have had 150 ambulance cases and my officers have done an excellent job in the handling and care of all our patients. We are always ready to serve the citizens or people in the Town no matter what time of the day or night we are called upon to perform our ambulance service.



At this time I wish to express my thanks and appreciation to your Honorable Board, to the Citizens of the Town, to the various Departments and to the Officers of this Department for the excellent co-operation and service rendered.

Respectfully yours,

HARRY J. AINSWORTH,

Chief of Police.

ARRESTS

Number of Arrests .....	113
Male .....	105
Female .....	8
Residents .....	40
Non Residents .....	73

CAUSES OF ARRESTS

Assault and Battery .....	4
Assault .....	1
Assault With Intent to Murder .....	1
Breaking and Entering .....	1
Carrying a Gun .....	1
Delinquent Children .....	1
Drunkenness .....	72
Keeping Pigs Without a License .....	1
Larceny .....	4
Attempted Break .....	3
Misappropriation of Automobile .....	2
Non Support .....	3
Street Litter .....	3
Selling Unpasteurized Milk .....	1
Railing and Brawling .....	1
Working on Lord's Day Without Permit .....	1
Violation of Motor Vehicle Laws:	
Operating Under the Influence .....	5
Speeding .....	4
Operating Uninsured Car .....	1
Operating Unregistered Car .....	1
Failing to Stop for Officer .....	1
Using Automobile Without Authority .....	1

## DISPOSITION OF CASES

Released .....	56
Filed .....	14
Discharged by Court .....	8
Suspended Sentence .....	8
House of Correction .....	6
To Massachusetts Child Welfare Department .....	1
State's Prison .....	1
Probation .....	1
Fined .....	18
Fines Imposed .....	\$575.00

## MISCELLANEOUS

Accidents Reported .....	23
Persons Injured:	
Males—16	
Females—14	
Total .....	30
Automobile Licenses Revoked or Suspended .....	13
Automobile Registrations Revoked .....	15
Buildings Found Open .....	30
Dogs Disposed of:	
Males—18	
Females—21	
Total .....	39
Complaints .....	778
Complaints Investigated .....	778
Emergency Messages Delivered .....	179
Persons Found .....	14
Permits to Work on Lord's Day.....	14
Number of Warrants Posted .....	15
Number of Notices Posted for Registrar of Voters.....	10
Property Found and Recovered .....	\$7,440.00
Transfer of Automobiles .....	172
Warning for Violation of Motor Vehicle Laws .....	130
Number of Officers Detailed for Public Assemblies .....	50
Warrants and Summons Served .....	68

## REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

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The drought of May, 1944, was very destructive to the grass and caused a weed growth which will take time to overcome.

The Memorial Park, set aside for soldiers, has been opened with burials and markers for the deceased returned of World War II. Similar plots will be opened for veterans of other wars upon request.

The Board suggests that any lot owner who contemplates erecting stones or markers, consult with the Superintendent before placing order to be sure your stone complies with the regulations.

The placing of your lot under Perpetual Care is strongly recommended. A deposit of \$100 will guarantee the care of your lot.

Respectfully,

LOUIS T. McMAHON

GUY E. NICHOLS

DAVID MARTIN

Commissioners.

# REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD AND PARK COMMISSION

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January 6, 1945

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

There were no expenses incurred by the Planning Board.

The Park Department attempting to operate at a minimum cost carried on as well as the appropriation permitted.

However, the Common and the Town Park recreation surface have shown the effects of a low operating budget and in our opinion has proven to be a false economy.

In order to remove the unsightly conditions brought about by these parcels of land during the months of June to October, it is our desire to reseed and resurface the Town Park recreation field and to reseed the Common as soon as possible in order to save what surface we have.

At this time we wish to extend our thanks to the members of the Cemetery and Water Departments who gave their services in order to have the football field ready for the High School boys, also to Mr. Barrows who donated the new iron goal posts when the necessary materials were unobtainable.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE H. CUSHING, Chr.

H. RAYMOND BOUTWELL

WILLIAM ANDERSEN

Planning Board and Park Department.

# REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Samuel P. Pike  
71 Lowell Street  
Wilmington, Massachusetts

January 20, 1945

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

Attached you will find a report for the year 1944 as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the Town of Wilmington.

Very truly yours,

SAMUEL P. PIKE,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

	Sealed	Adj.	Condemned
Platform Scales over 10,000 lbs. ....	1	0	0
Platform Scales 100 to 5,000 lbs.....	9	2	0
Counter Scales under 100 lbs. ....	7	1	0
Spring Scales 100 lbs. or over.....	1	0	0
Spring Scales under 100 lbs. ....	13	11	2
Beam Scales 100 lbs. or over ....	6	3	0
Beam Scales under 100 lbs. ....	3	0	0
Computing Scales under 100 lbs. ....	12	1	0
Personal Weighting Scales ....	3	0	0
Avoirdupois ....	55	0	0
Apothecary ....	1	0	0
Metric ....	7	0	0
Liquid Measures ....	13	0	0
Oil Jars ....	2	0	0
Meters 1 inch Inlet ....	29	4	0
Meters Over 1 inch Inlet ....	7	4	0
Oil Measuring Pumps ....	27	5	0
Grease Measuring Pumps ....	6	1	0
Yard Sticks ....	2	0	0
Leather Measuring Devices ....	1	0	0
Sealing Fees Collected and Turned over to the Town Treasurer \$	43.96		

The following are weights of Commodities for immediate delivery:

	Tested	Correct	—Incorrect—	
			Under	Over
Beans .....	30	30	0	0
Bread .....	22	11	0	11
Butter .....	2	2	0	0
Coal in Paper Bags .....	18	10	0	8
Coal in Transit .....	4	4	0	0
Confectionery .....	16	14	0	2
Fruits and Vegetables .....	24	18	0	6
Lard .....	10	8	0	2
Potatoes .....	12	10	0	2
Number of Licenses inspected .....				5
Hawkers and Peddlers Seals.....				2
Junk Dealers .....				1
Clinical Thermometers .....				4

Expenses of Department as follows:

Appropriation .....	\$	330.00
Total Expenses .....		273.92

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Unexpended Balance .....	\$	56.08
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## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

January 29, 1945.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Wilmington, Mass.

Gentlemen:

No slaughtering inspected during the year of 1944.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH B. ODIORNE,

Inspector of Slaughtering.

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

January 30, 1945.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit a report as Building Inspector from May 1, 1944 to December 31, 1944.

Building Permits Issued:

Dwellings and Cottages .....	16
Garages .....	8
Storage .....	5
Hen Houses .....	3
Sheds .....	3
Barn .....	1
Greenhouse .....	1
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	37
Building Permits Refused .....	2
Buildings Condemned and Removed .....	1
Chimney Condemned and Removed .....	1
Junk Yards Removed .....	1
Property Owners Notified of Dangerous condition of Buildings	3
Investigations of Reported Violations .....	12
Places of Public Assembly Inspected (Chap. 143 Gen. Laws).....	7

The provisions of Chap. 143 Gen. Laws (amended 1943) require that all places of public assembly 50-400 persons capacity to be inspected by local inspector and capacity limit to be listed on printed card posted on premises. This required the printing of new forms and cards and as no provision had been made in the regular appropriation for same a transfer of \$35.00 was made to cover the cost of this printing.

I wish to call attention also to the citizens of the Town the condition of the Fire Station. The building, especially the original portion of same, is in very poor condition structurally. The second floor and roof are sagging and are getting to be very near the point of being unsafe. I believe this matter should receive your immediate attention and some action taken in regard to same.

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER L. HORTON,

Inspector of Buildings.



# REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report for the Fire Department for the year ending December 1944.

The manual force of this Department consists of three permanent men: a Chief; Assistant Chief; and one fireman. There are thirty-nine call men, thirty at Central Station and nine at No. Wilmington.

The Department has eight men in the armed forces of the United States: Joseph F. McManus, Thomas Delaronde, Joseph A. Grimes, Stanley Colburn, Charles D. Sumner, Elliott B. Blaisdell, Rupert W. Deming, and Arthur J. Boudreau.

This Department has issued twenty-eight oil permits.

The Fire Department has responded to two hundred and three calls of which one hundred and ten were alarms and ninety-three were stills, eight of these calls were out of town.

This Department has another piece of fire fighting equipment presented to the Town of Wilmington by the members of the Fire Department.

This truck is a 1934 Chevrolet 1½-Ton with a special made body which carries 1600 feet of 1½" hose; two 10' lengths of 4½" suction hose; three lengths of 2½" suction; 300-ft. booster hose; one hundred forty gallon booster tank; four pump cans and fittings for 2½" and 1½" hose. It also carries one portable pumper purchased by the Town in 1942; also one front end pumper of 500 gallon capacity which was furnished by the O. C. D.

There has been twenty-seven hydrants used during this year.

Valuation of property endangered by Fire .....	\$ 65,145.00
Damaged by Fire .....	14,925.00
Feet of 2½" hose used .....	42,300
Feet of 1½" hose used .....	32,650
Feet of Booster Hose Used .....	4,650



Mileage Registered per Truck:

Mack No. 1 .....	703-1
LaFrance No. 2 .....	
Chevrolet No. 3 .....	
Ford No. 4 .....	505-2
Chevrolet No. 5 .....	118-2
Ford No. 6 .....	

**Forest Fire Wardens for 1945**

Winfred W. Rice	Herbert C. Barrows
George S. Cushing	Charles H. Black
Ernest W. Eames	Edmund H. Sargent

**Forest Patrol for 1945**

James W. Castine	Ernest W. Eames
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**Roll of Department**

Chief	Assistant Chief
Edwin L. Day	Winfred W. Rice

**Captains**

Ernest W. Eames	Edmund H. Sargent
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**Members**

Andrews, W. H.	Davis, M. G.
Brabant, A. A., Jr.	Eaton, E. W.
Branscomb, E. R.	Field, F. A.
Black, C. H.	Fagan, G. A., M. D.
Barton, J. J.	Finnerty, J. J.
Buckle, W. G.	Gracie, J. R.
Buck, C. E.	Horton, C. T.
Barrows, R. H.	Jorden, C. F.
Cutter, H. H.	Muse, J. F.
Cutter, H. W.	O'Neil, M. D.
Cutter, H. J.	Page, E.
Chisholm, P.	Perry, N. W.
Castine, J. W.	Rice, N. W.
Cushing, G. S.	Russell, J. J.
Doucette, F. W.	Swain, L. A.
Downing, E. H.	Townsend, W. E.
Durkee, L. A.	Williams, A. S.
Deming, R. C.	White, L. L.

Watters, J. G.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN L. DAY, Chief

## EDWARD NELSON EAMES

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After many years of active business life, Mr. Eames retired in 1944 and left Wilmington to live with his son in Brunswick, Maine. For over fifty years Mr. Eames served the Town of Wilmington in various capacities, and the Town takes this opportunity to express its appreciation and pay tribute to him in his retirement.

Mr. Eames was a native of Wilmington, and during his life the Town grew from a small village of scattered homes and farms to its present size. He was well versed in the early history of Wilmington.

Early in life Mr. Eames developed the spirit of public usefulness, and during his life has given freely of his time and effort to the improvement and betterment of the Town. His first public office was Field Driver. He was next appointed on the Committee that built the Walker School. He personally circulated a petition for free Rural Delivery from the Wilmington Post Office which was obtained. He later assisted in securing the same service at the North Wilmington Post Office. He served as a member of the Board of Selectmen for four years. He was Town Moderator for twenty-five years, and was a Trustee of the Public Library for over fifty years. He was on the first Board of Water Commissioners, and served as a Trustee of Trust Funds for many years. He was elected representative in the Massachusetts State Legislature in 1923 and 1924.

The Town of Wilmington extends to Mr. and Mrs. Eames its best wishes for many years of happiness in their well earned days of leisure.



EDWARD NELSON EAMES



## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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The report of the Librarian gives the details of the activities of the Library for 1944.

It is with regret that we received the resignation of the Chairman, Mr. Edward N. Eames, who has moved to Maine. Mr. Eames had been a member of the Trustees for over fifty years, and had always been deeply interested in the welfare and service of the Library. The Board wishes to express to Mr. Eames its appreciation for his service as a member of the Trustees and to wish him happiness and contentment in his retirement.

We again wish to remind BOOK BORROWERS that books must be returned promptly in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Library.

Respectfully,

PETER NEILSON

HELEN H. BUCK

CHARLOTTE GLOVER

PHILIP B. BUZZELL

LOUIS T. McMAHON

Trustees.

## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

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To the Honorable Board of Trustees:

I herewith submit my report as Librarian:

Books Borrowed from the Library.....	12,926
Magazines Taken from the Library .....	659
Number of New Borrowers .....	93
Books Purchased During the Year .....	230
Books Presented .....	24
Fines Collected .....	\$ 74.91
Collected for Lost Books .....	1.00
	————— \$75.91

Two books have been given in memory of old residents of the Town, who have passed away during the year, namely: "Yankee from Olympus" by Catherine D. Bowen, presented in memory of the late Frank H. Plimpton by Mr. and Mrs. John Wills, formerly of this town; and "Storms and Shipwrecks of New England" by Edward R. Snow, given in memory of the late J. Howard Eames, by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Melzar.

Borrowers who have long-overdue books are asked, at this time, to make a special effort to return same at their very earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

MIRIAM H. WARE,

Librarian.

## REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

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During 1944 there were 17 additional services installed.

Although the stand pipe has needed painting and repairs for some time, the Department postponed this work, first to help keep tax rate down, and then because of the War. It is felt that any further delay of this work would be dangerous. We contemplate doing the work this year.

Because of vandalism around the stand pipe it is necessary to erect a fence to protect this property, and which is planned to be done this year.

Respectfully,

CALEB S. HARRIMAN, Chairman

ALDEN N. EAMES

LOUIS T. McMAHON

Commissioners.

### WATER DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

#### Water Consumed

Year	Gals. Consumed	Ave. per Day
1940 .....	81,771,100	224,030
1941 .....	99,572,800	272,802
1942 .....	88,208,200	241,666
1943 .....	90,528,500	248,023
1944 .....	108,358,100	296,597

#### Fuel Oil Consumed

	Gal. Used	Cost	Per Mil.	Per Mil.
1940 .....	7035.2	\$353.01	\$6.0	\$4.32
1941 .....	8443.9	465.58	84.8	4.68
1942 .....	6924.4	397.43	78.8	4.50
1943 .....	6891.7	479.57	76.1	5.29
1944 .....	8630.1	656.43	79.6	6.06

### Lubricating Oil Used

	Gal. Used	Cost	Per Mil.	Per Mil.
1940 .....	56.00	\$33.60	.68	\$ .41
1941 .....	104.25	62.55	.62	.73
1942 .....	68.00	40.80	.46	.76
1943 .....	74.00	44.40	.49	.71
1944 .....	141.00	87.36	1.30	.80

### Oil Used in Heater

	Gal.	Cost
1940 .....	5844.00	\$274.43
1941 .....	4842.00	258.07
1942 .....	4160.00	236.79
1943 .....	5031.00	326.85
1944 .....	5227.00	391.21

### Accounts Receivable:

#### Service Accounts:

1943 .....	\$ 10.65	
1944 .....	10.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 20.65
Water Rates .....		\$ 1,302.33
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		\$ 1,322.98

### Total Cost of Construction:

Cost of Water System December 1943 .....	\$461,735.14
Services .....	1,036.74
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Cost December 31, 1944 .....	\$462,771.88



# REPORT OF THE MOTH SUPERINTENDENT AND TREE WARDEN

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Wilmington, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my annual report as Moth Superintendent and Tree Warden.

## *Moth Department*

In the Moth Department we sprayed all street shade trees with arsenate of lead and spreader for Gypsy moth, codling moth and tent caterpillars. We also creosoted gypsy moth egg clusters.

## *Elm Leaf Beetle*

The elm shade trees were sprayed (2) two times with arsenate of lead and spreader, and copper sulphate, 16 trees were fed and bark was taken off to eliminate this pest of the elm leaf beetle. A few trees were taken down and burned up to stop the spread. This work will have to be done every year.

## *Tree Department*

In the Tree Department I removed a lot of broken limbs, and a few dead trees. This work was done as long as finances permitted.

Now we had hurricane in September that has caused a lot of damage, a lot of broken limbs and split tops of trees that are hanging over the highways that will have to be taken down to eliminate this danger from the our highways. I'm asking for more money for this work in my budget so you town people will know what it is for.

Details of expenditures will be found in the report of the Town Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. BABINE,

Moth Superintendent and Tree Warden.

# REPORT OF THE INSPECTORS OF ANIMALS

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Wilmington, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report for the year 1944 as Inspector of Animals.

Number of dog bites reported .....	31
Number of dogs showing physical signs of rabies.....	0
Number of dogs submitted to laboratory examination.....	0

All biting dogs were quarantined for the period of time prescribed by law.

Number of dogs quarantined .....	32
Number of dogs released from quarantine .....	32

## Inspection of Domestic Animals and Premises

### Where Animals Are Kept

No inspection of livestock or premises where livestock is kept was made during the year, because of this, the Director of Livestock Disease Control assigned to me an unusual amount of special work.

Number of cattle entering Wilmington from Interstate shipment	11
Number of cattle quarantined .....	11

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH B. ODIORNE,

Inspector of Animals.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE

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Due to a shortage of manpower in the County Extension office a general report is given rather than a detailed report as has been done during previous years.

The Extension Service during 1944 turned over all its facilities to the war effort in the production and conservation of food and other factors necessary to help win the war. The County Trustees, Town Directors and Local Leaders gave freely of their time in spite of the fact that most of them were fully occupied with other duties.

Under agriculture most of the time was spent in cooperation with Selective Service Boards in furnishing information relative to registrants employed on farms. This probably was the most important job of the year as the food production program would not continue unless the key men on our farms were retained.

Farm labor is probably the next important item, with the local director cooperating with the school system in helping to make available all the boys and girls within the town and any other available people to help meet the extreme labor shortage on farms. The County Office was instrumental in finding some outside available help and especially during the harvest season various types of help were obtained to harvest the crop.

General assistance was given in all production problems in order that the maximum amount of food could be produced.

Homemakers were assisted, especially in the conservation and preservation of food, a better understanding of wise use of ration points and food that had to be purchased along with greater use of home-grown foods. Good nutrition for the family was especially stressed in order that the health of the family could be maintained under war conditions. Clothing renovation and construction, refinishing and upholstering furniture were all projects emphasized to help the homemaker carry on more efficiently under war conditions.

With Boys' and Girls' 4-H Club Work, it was difficult here to carry on due to lack of available local volunteer leaders. Much credit, however, should go to the leaders who gave all their available time to

help our boys and girls carry on with their various projects. The club members of your town were part of the 1,700,000 in the United States who helped 4-H earn the recognition of having made the largest contribution in the war effort of any of the youth organizations of the nation. Food Production, Food Preservation and Homemaking were the clubs given the greatest emphasis during the year.

The Junior and Senior Handicraft Clubs, Mr. Wilfred Andrews, leader, have been awarded again for their production of vegetables and for their community service, the War Service Certificate, and each member a War Service Award Card made available by the Eastern States Exposition.

A. F. MacDOUGALL,

Director.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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Cash in Treasury .....	\$ 94,377.19
Income Tax .....	26,340.00
Business Corporation Tax .....	9,002.14
Meal Tax .....	1,004.72
Reimbursement Cities and Towns loss of taxes .....	7.46
Pay Roll Deductions Withholding Tax .....	9,418.08

### HIGHWAYS:

Chapter 90 Maintenance	
Note No. 337 .....	2,000.00
State .....	304.28
County .....	304.28
Snow removal .....	121.00
Distribution of Highway Fund .....	6,546.40

### BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE:

Refunds Cities and Towns .....	460.53
Refunds Individuals .....	486.25
Support of indigent persons .....	66.00
Old Age Assistance	
Refunds Cities and Towns .....	1,206.88
Refunds individuals .....	14.50
U. S. Grant .....	17,837.13
State Treasurer .....	17,556.82
Refund postage .....	37.13
Aid to Dependent Children	
U. S. Grant .....	2,350.19
State Treasurer .....	2,399.76
Refund postage .....	3.56
Temporary Aid and Transportation .....	1,274.06
Tewksbury State Hospital Board .....	350.00
Veteran's Aid and Pensions:	
State Aid .....	510.00
Military Aid .....	112.50
War Allowance .....	604.00

### PUBLIC HEALTH:

Dept. Public Health, Subsidies for Cities and Towns .....	157.86
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### POLICE:

Ambulance cases .....	218.00
Refunds .....	13.46
Bicycle licenses .....	14.00

## EDUCATION:

Tuition of children .....	1,489.46
Schools, petty cash refunds .....	16.43

## MISCELLANEOUS INCOME:

Telephone tolls .....	10
Refund Mass. Reformatory for Women .....	3.20
Sale of paper bags Board of Public Welfare .....	4.05
Refunds Fire Dept. Pay Roll .....	2.50
Police Dept. Telephone tolls .....	2.34
Rent .....	45.00
Balance due on Oxner property .....	50.00
Tax Title Redemption and Sales .....	1,854.22
Tax Title Interest .....	367.47
Instruments of Redemption .....	75.00
Tax Title Low Value Sale .....	289.50
Land Court return of deposits .....	5.50
Sealer Weights and Measures	
Refund account lumber .....	75.00
Fees .....	43.06
Dog Licenses from Town Clerk .....	993.40
Return of Dog licenses County Treasurer .....	563.92
Dog damage County Treasurer .....	88.00
Licenses .....	3,410.50
Cemetery .....	2,869.77
Library .....	75.91
Building Inspector .....	50.00
Insurance Return Premium Account .....	480.07
Fines Fourth District Court .....	167.00
Water Revenue .....	24,650.14
Excess interest on Tax Title Loan .....	21.06
Interest Bank .....	1.35
Income from Trust Funds .....	154.02
Notes in anticipation of revenue .....	30,000.00
Collector of Taxes	
Taxes .....	197,418.82
Interest .....	2,381.22

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\$462,746.19

## PAYMENTS

Treasury Warrants .....	\$398,459.45
Cash in Treasury .....	64,286.74

ALFRED S. ALLEN,  
Treasurer.

# COLLECTOR'S REPORT 1944

	<i>Collected</i>	<i>Abated</i>	<i>Tax Titles</i>	<i>Balance</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>Cost</i>
1944 Taxes (Commitment) .....	\$142,720.61	\$1,226.05	\$2,824.08	\$43,905.30	\$ 67.44	\$38.50
Additional .....	133.50					
	<u>\$190,542.54</u>					
	<u>\$190,676.04</u>					
1944 Excise .....	4,030.38	2.16		176.59	4.92	—
1943 Balance .....	32,316.25	295.20	145.50	15,083.24	860.32	21.00
1943 Excise (Bal.) .....	18.36			104.33	86	—
1942 Balance .....	17,106.69	1,225.01	220.41	—	1,310.53	18.90
1941 Balance .....	926.98	255.55		—	120.31	14.70
1942 Excise (Bal.) .....	126.86	144.52		—	7.07	—
1941 Excise (Bal.) .....	29.16	190.44		—	1.99	—
1940 Excise (Bal.) .....	26.91	259.11		—	3.29	—
1939 Excise (Bal.) .....	23.52	144.26		—	4.49	—

GEORGE W. BUCK,

Collector of Taxes,

Town of Wilmington.



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

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Mr. Charles H. Black, Chairman

Board of Selectmen:

Wilmington, Mass.

We respectfully submit the following Report covering the activities of the Board of Public Welfare for the year 1944.

Social legislation has changed the administration of Public Relief from the old method of poor farms and grocery orders to the payment of direct money grants to the individuals in their own homes. The administration of Public Relief is also controlled by various rules and regulations of the State Department of Public Welfare, which have the full force of law as authorized by the Legislature. The administration of Public Relief has been more difficult at the local level due to the number of changes in the rules and regulations of the State Department of Public Welfare and the different interpretations of the various subdivisions within that Department.

The law and rules and regulations of the State Department of Public Welfare require the local agency to determine the budgeted needs of each case according to their "standards of assistance," with the granting of minimum and maximum amounts made a requirement for reimbursement from Federal and State funds. The Public Relief costs of the Town demand that this Department secure full reimbursement on all cases. The receipts of this Board are the largest of any Town Department. A detailed account of these will be found in the report of the Town Treasurer.

Our national emergency has also changed the scope of services required in the administration of Public Relief. In spite of the fact that wartime employment has lessened relief measures, the national crisis has enlarged and extended the variety and kinds of service Public Welfare is being called upon to render to individuals, families and communities. Because many of the present needs of people stem from inadequate community facilities rather than from economic want, war conditions have demonstrated how inadequate housing, recreation, health, education, day care and nutrition programs have affected Public Welfare.



A study of the administration of Public Relief has been made by a "Recess Commission," who have made a report to the Legislature. This report, if accepted, will require many changes in the administration of Public Relief and will materially affect the expenditures of this Department. As it is impossible to determine what changes in the law will be made by the Legislature, the appropriations requested by this Department for the year 1945 will be made on the basis of present conditions.

Relief granted to General Relief, Aid to Dependent Children and Old Age Assistance cases is required by law to be on a basis of "need". A detailed report of the expenditures for the above categories of relief will be found in the report of the Town Accountant.

### **GENERAL RELIEF**

Aid according to the Welfare Laws was granted to 34 individual cases, of which 19 were aided in their own homes, 5 in other cities or towns and 10 in institutions. On December 31, 1944 there were 13 active cases, 7 of which were in their own home or a boarding home and 7 of which were in various institutions. In addition to these, there are other cases receiving aid in some other city or town at the expense of the Town of Wilmington. In addition to refunds from individuals, the town will receive reimbursement from the State and other cities and towns in the amount of \$1,431.53 for Welfare Aid granted in 1944.

### **AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN**

The granting of this type of relief is controlled by law, Federal and State rules and regulations. It is intended to provide normal home conditions for children who have been deprived of parental support.

During the year, 5 new cases with 9 children were aided, 3 cases with 8 children were closed, and 3 cases with 4 children were denied as ineligible. The costs of this program are apportioned approximately one-third each—Federal, State and Local. On December 31, 1944, there were 8 active cases consisting of 25 children. During the year, this type of relief was granted to a total of 11 individual cases, consisting of 33 children.

### **OLD AGE ASSISTANCE**

The granting of aid under this program is controlled by law, Federal and State rules and regulations.

During the year, 15 new cases were added, making a total of 115 different cases aided. During the year, there were 18 cases closed or denied, making an active case load of 97 on December 31, 1944.

The total expenditures granted to the 115 cases aided in their own homes or in boarding homes, were \$40,113.92. Of this amount, the Town will be reimbursed by the Federal Government in the amount of \$18,875.58, by the State in the amount of \$16,024.51, and by other cities and towns in the amount of \$1,074.98—making a net cost to the Town of Wilmington in the amount of \$4,138.85. In addition, there are 8 cases residing in some other city or town with a Wilmington settlement which will cost approximately \$600.00 for the year 1944.

The Department has no unpaid bills or outstanding accounts due—with the exception of current accounts. The Department wishes to express its appreciation of all those who have been of great assistance in many ways during the past year.

Yours very truly,

WALTER G. BUCKLE, Chairman

ROY A. BOUSFIELD

STEVEN COLUCCI

Board of Welfare Committee.

## BOARD OF APPEALS

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January 29, 1945.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,

Wilmington, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The following is the report of your Board of Appeal for the year ending December 31, 1944.

Two appeals have been made to this Board during the current year. A hearing has been held and a decision made on one appeal. A hearing on the appeal pending will be held in January, 1945.

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY WEBBER, Secretary,

Board of Appeals.

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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February 6, 1945.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report as Superintendent of Streets for the year 1944.

As in the past years Chapter 90 maintenance work consisted of brush cutting, cleaning catch basins, surface patching and some shoulder work on Shawsheen Ave., Salem St., Lowell St., Burlington Ave., Church St., and Middlesex Ave. About one and one-tenths miles on Burlington Ave. and 1,200 feet on Shawsheen Ave. was surfaced with pea gravel and heavy tar.

In regards to our town roads, many were greatly improved, while others received only patch work attention. All accepted gravel roads were scraped in the spring and fall. Several loads of gravel being added where needed to guarantee safe travelling. Due to labor shortage and lack of time I could not finish cutting and burning the brush as the time was needed on McDonald Rd., Cunningham St., Lincoln St., Pershing St., Westdale Ave., and Wilson St. to make them passable after being accepted by the Town. A large part of McDonald Rd. and Cunningham St. has been lightly graveled for the present. Several sections of cement sidewalk had to be replaced due to heat expansion. Some curbing had to be replaced due to crumbling. I followed the method of some of the larger surrounding Towns by using pea gravel and heavy tar asphalt for surface treating. The result is, if the proper amount of material is used, a wearing surface of one inch thickness is obtained and at the same time all holes are filled and the shape of the road is restored. It is my belief that more mileage can be salvaged in a shorter time with better results than by scarifying. Of course there are instances when the best results can only be obtained by scarifying and reshaping with a power grader.

The following is a breakdown in detail of the 1944 budget showing where and how much was expended for each job.

Snow and ice removal	\$1,650.97	Dyar Sales & Mach. Co.	
Drainage .....	437.69	(sand spreader, equip-	
Hurricane .....	75.42	ment rental, plow	
Vacations .....	399.68	parts .....	699.75
Insurance .....	567.67	Concrete pipe & post ....	199.00
Stock pile (sand gravel)	237.45	Sand and gravel .....	599.40
Keeping Square clean ...	299.02	Rock Salt .....	75.00
Salvage collections .....	76.00	Fuel .....	175.82
Signs .....	38.42	Water service .....	18.00
Town dump .....	228.79	Lights .....	14.02
Gas, oil, tires, repairs ...	773.18	Telephone .....	45.34
Mix patch plus tar ..	962.40	Miscellaneous .....	57.25
Put out patch .....	743.22	Labor on loader .....	53.63
Snow fences .....	51.03	Labor on trucks (town	
Painting .....	32.00	garage) .....	230.86
Plow repairs (garage) ..	58.22	Brush:	
Labor parking space ...	14.24	(Cutting and burning)	557.89
Blacksmith (tools) .....	66.75	Sidewalks .....	152.88
Aldrich Rd. ....	25.62	Town Hall yard .....	30.00
Harris St. ....	254.05	Congregational Church	
Pershing St. ....	565.23	yard .....	19.71
West St. ....	482.21	Liberty St. ....	834.99
Wilson St. ....	112.51	Federal St. ....	1,867.48
Concord St. ....	23.40	Woburn St. ....	1,490.44
Glen Rd. ....	219.17	Westdale Ave. ....	533.28
Belmont St. ....	629.60	Lincoln St. ....	89.96
Middlesex Ave. ....	414.31	Grove Ave. ....	743.14
Eames St. ....	225.37	Forrest St. ....	235.29
Fairview Ave. ....	189.51	Shawsheen Rd. ....	379.20
Clark St. ....	93.85	Wildwood St. ....	145.75
Adams St. ....	72.91	Beacon St. ....	261.21
Chestnut St. ....	19.46	Hillside way .....	1,393.66
Brand Ave. ....	15.00	McDonald Rd. ....	506.20
Ballardvale St. ....	28.75	Cunningham St. ....	105.27
Lumber, cement, paint,		Cross St. ....	13.58
etc. ....	123.93	Park St. ....	15.00

Grand total \$21,680.03. Balance of \$319.97 to E. & D. Account.

The Board of Survey (Board of Selectmen) instructed Mr. Alden N. Eames to lay out new streets for acceptance. Eleven to date have been surveyed and blueprints supplied by him, namely: Baker St.,

Fay St., Harris St., Cedar St., Burt Rd., King St., Bartlett St., North St., Pine St., Hobson St., Brattle St., Mass. Ave., and Auburn Ave. Surveyors' stakes and bound posts purchased. Some bounds have been set. Total cost \$684.94, leaving a balance of \$315.06 from the original allotment.

After giving the 1945 budget much thought, I arrived at the following recommendations. Wages \$15,000.00. Bituminous products \$4,800.00.

Grader hire .....	\$ 700.00	Sand, gravel and pea	
Insurance .....	600.00	gravel .....	\$2,000.00
Lights .....	15.00	Water service .....	18.00
Fuel .....	200.00	Telephone .....	50.00
Grand Total .....			\$23,383.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance .....			\$1,500.00
Road Machinery Account .....			1,500.00

It is my firm conviction that if the townspeople vote the Highway the money asked for it will benefit to the extent that more streets can be properly surface treated with pea gravel and heavy asphalt. I have also asked for an increase for the Road Machinery fund. In 1944, \$500.00 was appropriated, \$500.00 was transferred and still \$700.00 had to be spent from the General Account to meet expenses.

At this time I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen for their whole-hearted cooperation and assistance, also the Police Department for their services rendered during snow storms and icy weather.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. WHITE,

Supt. of Streets.



# REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Wilmington, Massachusetts.

We respectfully submit the following report of the Memorial Day Committee:

## ORDER OF EXERCISES

1.45 P.M.—Veterans assemble at Legion Hall.

2.00 P. M.—Exercises at Nee and Regan Parks. Commanders, Colors, firing squads, buglers and chaplains. Exercises at Nee Park under the direction of American Legion Post 136. Exercises at Regan Park under the direction of Nee-Ellsworth Post 2458, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

2.30 P. M.—Form at Masonic Hall for Parade.

2.45 P.M.—Start of Parade.

2.55 P. M.—Casting of Wreath on water of Mill Brook by Louis S. Kennedy, Spanish American War, in memory of those who died at sea. Assisted by Elizabeth Kelley, Chaplain of American Legion Auxiliary. March by Band, "Columbia, The Gem of the Ocean." Address and Prayer by Rev. Lrancis S. Strykowski. Firing Squad. Taps.

3.20 P. M.—Arrive at Rogers Park. Column of Marchers, left face. Exercises under the direction of Commander Louis S. Kennedy, Nee-Ellsworth Post 2458, V. F. W. Placing of Wreath by Mrs. Jeannette White. Address and Prayer by Rev. Clyde M. Martin. Hymn by Band. Firing Squad. Taps.

3.40 P. M.—Arrive at Soldiers' Monument. Exercises under the direction of Commander Vinal Conway, Post 136, A. L. Placing of Wreath by Chaplain Howard E. Bedell, A. L. Lincoln's "Gettysburg Address," delivered by Joseph F. Mooney, Wilmington Boy Scouts. Address and Prayer by Rev. Dale Ganyard. Hymn by Band. Placing

of Wreath (in memory of those who have sacrificed their lives in the present War) by Brenda Barry and Richard Hugh Hoban. Firing Squad and Taps.

4.10 P. M.—Parade to graves. "Vacant Chair" by Band. Decoration of graves. Firing Squad. Taps.

4.30 P. M.—Arrive at Soldiers' Lot. Exercises under direction of Louis Kennedy, Commander V. F. W. Placing of Wreath by Lena Cavanaugh, Chaplain, V. F. W. Auxiliary. Address and Prayer by Rev. James M. Daley. Hymn by Band. Firing Squad. Taps. Star Spangled Banner by Band.

4.55 P.M.—Arrive at Nichols Corner. Disband.

### ROSTER OF PARADE

Detail of Police.

Board of Selectmen.

Colors and Guards. (Massed Colors)

Firing Squad

Wilmington High School Band.

Members of the armed forces of the United States.

Spanish War Veterans.

Wilmington Post 136, American Legion.

Nee-Ellsworth Post 2458, Veterans of Foreign Wars

Disabled Veterans in Automobiles.

Sons of Legion Squadron.

Susan T. Esler, Past State President American Legion Auxiliary.

Wilmington Post 136, American Legion Auxiliary.

Nee-Ellsworth Post 2458, Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary.

Wilmington Post 136, American Legion Junior Auxiliary.

Automobiles with Gold Star Mothers and Auxiliary Members.

Boy Scouts of America.

Girl Scouts of America.

Other Patriotic Organizations.

Automobiles.

Buglers, Earl J. Richards, William Buck.



## MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

Vinal H. Conway, A. L., Paul W. Dayton, A. L., Ernest C. Cail, A. L., John H. Doyle, A. L., Edwin J. Twomey, A. L., Joseph B. McMahon, A. L., Justice V. Balser, A. L., Guy E. Nichols, A. L., Herbert Higginbotham, V. F. W., Louis Kennedy, V. F. W., Howard Cates, A. L. and V. F. W., Elizabeth Kelley, A. L. Aux., Anna Barry, A. L. Aux., Lena Cavanaugh, V. F. W. Aux., Evelyn Gordon, V. F. W. Aux., Anastasia C. Marlin, V. F. W. Aux.

## HONORARY

Madeline B. Higginbotham, President V. F. W. Aux.

Susan T. Esler, Past State President A. L. Aux.

Respectfully yours,

VINAL H. CONWAY,

Commander A. L. Post 136,

Chairman.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

### **SARAH D. J. CARTER LECTURE COMMITTEE**

To the Board of Selectmen of Wilmington, Mass.:

Following is the Financial Report of the Sarah D. J. Carter Lecture Fund for the year 1944:

#### **RECEIPTS**

January 1, 1944, Balance on hand .....	\$	8.28
Received from Town Treasurer .....		125.00
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	\$	133.28

#### **EXPENDITURES**

March 7, Rent of Grange Hall .....	\$	8.00
March 7, White Entertainments, Inc. ....		55.00
April 4, Rent of Grange Hall .....		10.00
April 4, White Entertainments, Inc. ....		55.00
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	\$	128.00
Balance .....	\$	5.28

Respectfully submitted,  
Sarah D. J. Carter Lecture Committee,  
Alice M. Allen, Acting Treasurer.

## **REPORT OF THE SARAH D. J. CARTER LECTURE COMMITTEE**

Early in 1944 the Carter Lecture Committee presented to the people of Wilmington the two entertainments mentioned in last year's report.

For the season of 1945 the following lectures have been planned.

**TUESDAY EVE. MARCH 13th**

Dr. No Yong Park — Lecture on China.

**TUESDAY EVE. APRIL 3rd**

Christine Merrick Ayars—Illustrated Travel Talk on Guatemala.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA R. BARRY  
MILDRED E. NEILSON  
ALICE ALLEN  
FOSTER BALSER  
JOHN W. HATHAWAY

The Carter Lecture Committee.

# *Annual Report*

OF THE

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

OF

**WILMINGTON, MASS.**



SHOWING

APPROPRIATIONS, RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

STATEMENT OF TOWN DEBT

AND

BALANCE SHEET

**FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,**

**1944**

## REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Herewith is my report for the year 1944, showing financial transaction, statement of Town Debt, and Balance Sheet after closing of the books.

Assessors' Valuation Books have been audited and compared with Tax Collector's Commitment Books.

Treasurer's accounts have been checked, and cash balance on hand, namely, \$64,286.74, has been verified.

Respectfully yours,

HARRY R. DEMING,

Town Accountant.

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

### Selectmen

Appropriation, Expenses .....	\$ 200.00
Appropriation, Salaries .....	650.00

### Payments

Expenses:

Postage, printing and stationery ....	\$ 25.38
Miscellaneous .....	9.00
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	\$ 34.38
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	165.62
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	\$ 200.00
Salaries .....	\$ 650.00

### Town Accountant

Appropriation, Expenses .....	\$ 75.00
Appropriation, Salary .....	1,000.00

### Payments

Expenses:

Postage, printing and stationery ....	\$ 35.06
Office equipment repairs .....	32.00
Telephone .....	4.15
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	\$ 71.21
Unexpended Balance to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	3.79
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	\$ 75.00
Salary .....	1,000.00

### Treasurer

Appropriation, Foreclosure Costs .....	\$ 800.00
Appropriation, Expenses .....	525.00
Appropriation, Salary .....	1,000.00

### Payments

Foreclosure Costs:

Land Court and Registry Fees, etc. \$	532.92
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	267.08
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	\$ 800.00

**Expenses:**

Premium on Bond .....	\$ 133.00
Hold-Up Insurance .....	14.00
Postage, printing and stationery ...	226.40
Certification of Town notes .....	6.00
Deeds of Release, Tax Titles .....	84.00
Office equipment repairs .....	12.50
Tax Lien Fee .....	1.03
Telephone .....	3.00

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\$ 479.93

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... 45.07

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\$ 525.00

Salary ..... 1,000.00

**Tax Collector**

Appropriation, Expenses ..... \$ 1,000.00

Appropriation, Salary ..... 1,600.00

**Payments****Expenses:**

Premiums on Bonds .....	\$ 224.00
Postage, printing and stationery ...	321.34
Tax Title costs .....	142.90
Hold-Up Insurance .....	35.00

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\$ 723.24

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... 276.76

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\$ 1,000.00

Salary ..... 1,600.00

**Assessors**

Appropriation, Salaries ..... 1,700.00

**Payments****Expenses:**

Postage, printing and stationery ...	\$ 76.39
Travel .....	80.00
Miscellaneous .....	12.00

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\$ 168.39

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... \$ 131.61

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\$ 300.00

Salaries ..... 1,700.00

# **Finance Committee**

Appropriation .....	\$	100.00
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## **Payments**

Advertising .....	\$	4.00	
Postage, printing and stationery ....		61.90	
Miscellaneous .....		10.00	
		\$ 75.90	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and			
Deficiency Account .....	\$	24.10	
		\$	100.00

## **Town Counsel**

Appropriation, Expenses .....	\$	325.00
Appropriation, Salary .....		300.00

## **Payments**

<b>Expenses:</b>			
Legal, additional .....	\$	280.00	
Fees, telephone, travel, etc. ....		43.00	
		\$ 323.00	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and			
Deficiency Account .....	\$	2.00	
		\$	325.00
Salary .....			300.00

## **Town Clerk**

Appropriation, Expenses .....	\$	60.00
Appropriation, Salary .....		400.00

## **Payments**

<b>Expenses:</b>			
Postage, printing and stationery ....	\$	45.45	
Premium on Bond .....		7.50	
		\$ 52.95	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and			
Deficiency Account .....	\$	7.05	
		\$	60.00
Salary .....	\$	370.00	
Balance, to 1945 .....		30.00	
		\$	400.00
Unpaid, balance salary..	\$	30.00	



# Election and Registration

Appropriation ..... \$ 1,800.00

## Payments

### Election:

Election Officers, wages .....	\$ 459.46	
Postage, printing and stationery ....	144.00	
Labor and repairs, voting booths ....	89.55	
Meals, Election Officers .....	71.30	
	<hr/>	\$ 764.31

### Registration:

Salaries, Registrars .....	\$ 205.00	
Postage, printing and stationery ....	268.50	
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### Listing of Persons:

Wages, listing .....	\$ 234.00	
Travel .....	92.00	
Stationery .....	32.76	
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\$ 1,596.57

### Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account .....	\$ 203.43	
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\$ 1,800.00

Appropriation ..... \$ 50.00

## No Payments

### Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account .....	\$ 50.00	
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## Town Hall

Appropriation ..... \$ 2,250.00

## Payments

Salary, janitor .....	\$ 400.00	
Light .....	72.86	
Fuel .....	191.07	
Water .....	19.50	
Telephone .....	171.38	
Building repairs .....	90.52	
Supplies .....	11.16	

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\$ 956.49

### Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account .....	\$ 1,293.51	
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\$ 2,250.00

# PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

## Police Department

Appropriation, Expenses .....	\$ 1,725.00	
From Reserve Fund .....	181.08	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,906.08
Appropriation, Salaries and Wages .....		\$ 10,320.00

## Payments

### Expenses:

Light and Fuel .....	\$ 253.75
Telephone .....	185.41
Rent .....	300.00
Station Supplies and Repairs .....	185.91
Postage, printing and stationery ....	25.70
Traffic Lights .....	60.01
Police Car Maintenance .....	866.45
Bicycle Registration Plates .....	12.75

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\$ 1,889.98

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	16.10	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,906.08

Salaries and Wages .....	\$ 9,799.26
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	520.74
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	\$ 10,320.00

## Police Department — 1943 Account

Balance from 1943 .....	\$ 325.00
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## Payment

Radio for Police Car .....	\$ 325.00
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## Ambulance

Appropriation .....	\$ 300.00
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## Payments

Gas and Oil .....	\$ 89.34
Repairs .....	1.50
Laundry .....	15.01
Insurance .....	18.20

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\$ 124.05

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$ 175.95	
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### Constable

Appropriation ..... \$ 50.00

### Payments

Salary ..... \$ 50.00

### Fire Department

Appropriation, Expenses ..... \$ 1,600.00  
Refund, account Expenses ..... 3.20  

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\$1,603.20

Appropriation, Salaries and Wages ..... \$ 7,500.00  
From Reserve Fund ..... 394.04  

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\$ 7,894.04

### Payments

#### Expenses:

Light and Fuel ..... \$ 272.53  
Telephone ..... 44.94  
Water ..... 23.03  
Building Repairs ..... 69.80  
Equipment repairs and replacements ..... 349.21  
Insurance ..... 280.23  
Gas and Oil ..... 181.26  
Supplies ..... 93.65  
Maintenance Fire Alarm ..... 82.49  
Miscellaneous ..... 50.00  
New Equipment ..... 136.00  

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\$ 1,583.14

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and  
Deficiency Account ..... \$ 20.06  

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\$ 1,603.20  
Salaries and Wages ..... \$ 7,894.04

### Hydrant Rental

Appropriation ..... \$ 5,720.00  
Transferred to Water Department ..... \$ 5,720.00

### Inspection of Buildings

Appropriation, Expenses ..... \$ 50.00  
From Reserve Fund ..... 35.00  

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\$ 85.00  
Appropriation, Salary ..... 300.00

### Payments

**Expenses:**

Transportation ..... \$ 48.00

Postage, printing and stationery .... 35.73

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\$ 83.73

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... \$ 1.27

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\$ 85.00

Salary, Inspector ..... \$ 300.00

### Board of Appeals

Appropriation ..... \$ 50.00

### No Payments

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... \$ 50.00

### Sealing of Weights and Measures

Appropriation, Expenses ..... \$ 80.00

Appropriation, Salary ..... 250.00

### Payments

**Expenses:**

Seals, Dies, etc. .... \$ 15.92

Equipment Repairs ..... 8.00

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\$ 23.92

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... \$ 56.08

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\$ 80.00

Salary, Sealer ..... \$ 250.00

### Suppression of Moths

Appropriation ..... \$ 1,500.00

### Payments

Wages ..... \$ 954.88

Truck hire ..... 313.75

Gas and oil ..... 21.75

Equipment repairs ..... 10.43

Arsenate of lead, etc. .... 133.70

Light .....	12.70	
Workmen's Compensation and Public Liability Insurance .....	49.33	
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	\$ 1,496.54	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$ .62	
To 1945 .....	2.84	
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		\$ 1,500.00
(Unpaid bill \$2.84)		

#### Suppression of Elm Leaf Beetle

Appropriation .....	\$ 500.00
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#### Payments

Wages .....	\$ 234.50	
Truck hire .....	77.50	
Gas and oil .....	20.77	
Equipment repairs .....	20.50	
Arsenate of lead, etc. ....	139.04	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance .....	7.24	
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	\$ 499.55	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$ .45	
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		\$ 500.00

#### Tree Warden

Appropriation .....	\$	800.00
From Reserve Fund .....		350.00
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	\$	1,150.00

#### Payments

Wages .....	\$ 764.52	
Truck hire .....	308.14	
Gas and oil .....	26.72	
Equipment repairs .....	5.10	
Tools and equipment .....	44.73	
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	\$ 1,149.21	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$ .79	
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		\$ 1,150.00

## Health and Sanitation

Appropriation ..... \$ 1,500.00

### Payments

Salary of Agent .....	\$ 200.00
Lakeville State Sanatorium, Board and care .....	767.50
Diphtheria Clinic .....	40.00
Rabies Vaccine .....	2.15
Administering Vaccine .....	14.00
Vital Statistics; Return of Births, Marriages and Deaths .....	173.50
Care of Public Dump .....	125.31
Salary, Inspector of Animals .....	100.00
Advertising .....	18.00

..... \$ 1,440.46

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... \$ 59.54

..... \$ 1,500.00

## Public Health Nurse

Appropriation ..... \$ 1,000.00

### Payments

Salary, District Nurse ..... \$ 1,000.00

## Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital

County Assessment, levied by Assessors ..... \$ 1,364.79

### Payment

Middlesex County Treasurer, Town's share of

care, maintenance and repairs ..... \$ 1,364.79

## HIGHWAYS

Appropriation, General Maintenance ..... \$ 22,130.00

Appropriation, Surveying ..... 1,000.00

### Payments

General Maintenance:

Salaries and wages ..... \$ 11,629.94

Snow and Ice Account:

Wages ..... \$ 1,280.15

Teams and Trucks ..... 369.25

Equipment repairs ..... 24.50

..... \$ 1,673.90

Tar and Road Oil .....	4,061.60	
Sand and Gravel .....	1,467.35	
Pipe .....	121.00	
Guard Rail Posts .....	78.00	
Miscellaneous supplies and materials .....	263.78	
Gas and Oil .....	537.35	
Equipment repairs and replacements .....	371.26	
Equipment rental .....	540.10	
New equipment .....	185.00	
Workmen's Compensation and Public Liability Insurance .....	567.67	
Building Maintenance:		
Repairs and supplies .....	\$ 54.26	
Light and fuel .....	190.16	
Telephone .....	49.16	
Water .....	19.50	
	<hr/>	\$ 313.08
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		\$ 21,810.03
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$ 211.25	
Carried to 1945 .....	108.72	
	<hr/>	\$ 22,130.00

(Unpaid bill \$108.72)

#### Surveying Account:

Labor .....	\$ 45.76	
Cement Bounds .....	90.00	
Stakes .....	13.72	
Surveying and plans .....	535.46	
	<hr/>	\$ 684.94
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$ 315.06	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,000.00

#### Chapter 90, Maintenance

(Salem, Lowell, Church Streets; Burlington, Shawsheen

#### Middlesex Avenues)

Appropriation .....	\$ 1,000.00	
From State .....	857.69	
From County .....	857.69	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,715.38

### Payments

Salaries and wages .....	\$ 1,114.30
Road tar .....	841.07
Sand and gravel .....	402.87
Equipment rental (outside) .....	45.00
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	\$ 2,403.24
Equipment rental (Town) .....	\$ 205.50
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	\$ 2,608.74
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$ 106.64
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	\$ 2,715.38

### Road Machinery Account

Appropriation .....	\$ 500.00
From Reserve Fund .....	500.00
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	\$ 1,000.00

### Payments

Equipment repairs and replacements \$	279.38
Tools .....	10.62
Tires .....	76.60
Gas and oil .....	612.41
Miscellaneous .....	9.40
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	\$ 988.41
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$ 10.20
Carried to 1945 .....	1.39
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	\$ 1,000.00

### Highway Machinery Fund

#### Cr.

Balance from 1943 .....	\$ 641.05
Rental of town equipment .....	205.50
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	\$ 846.55

#### Dr.

Balance to 1945 .....	\$ 846.55
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## Street Lights

Appropriation ..... \$ 7,725.00

### Payments

Street Lights .....	\$ 6,856.96
Carried to 1945 .....	632.95
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	235.09
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	\$ 7,725.00

## CHARITIES

### Board of Public Welfare

Appropriation, Administration .....	\$ 1,600.00
Appropriation, Aid .....	\$ 8,000.00
Cash Refund .....	15.25
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	\$ 8,015.25

### Payments

#### Administration:

Salary of Agent .....	\$ 1,362.50
Travel .....	86.70
Postage, printing and stationery ....	37.83
Telephone .....	57.12
Miscellaneous .....	4.10
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	\$ 1,548.25

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$ 51.75
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	\$ 1,600.00

#### Aid:

Cash .....	\$ 1,880.75
Board .....	1,104.91
Fuel .....	43.97
Food .....	324.46
Medical services .....	66.00
Medicines .....	19.45
Hospital, board and care .....	435.28
Light .....	2.80
Clothing and shoes .....	55.33
Burial .....	100.00

State Infirmary, board and care ..	3,253.50	
Other Cities and Towns .....	577.94	
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	\$ 7,864.39	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and		
Deficiency Account .....	\$ 150.86	
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		\$ 8,015.25

#### Aid to Dependent Children (Town Account)

Appropriation, Aid ..... \$ 6,000.00

#### Payments

Cash .....	\$ 4,856.93	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and		
Deficiency Account .....	1,143.07	
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		\$ 6,000.00

#### Aid to Dependent Children (U. S. Grant)

Balance from 1943, Account Administration ....	\$ 184.08	
Received from State Treasurer		
Account Administration .....	150.27	
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		\$ 334.35
Balance from 1943, Account Aid .....	\$ 125.48	
Received from State Treasurer, Account Aid ....	2,199.92	
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		\$ 2,325.40

#### Payments

##### Account Administration:

Salary of Agent .....	\$ 137.50	
Salary of Social Worker .....	132.50	
Travel .....	3.80	
Postage, printing and stationery	12.36	
Telephone .....	11.21	

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\$ 297.37

Unexpended Balance, to 1945 ..... 36.98

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\$ 334.35

##### Account Aid:

Cash .....	\$ 1,885.15	
Unexpended Balance, to 1945 .....	440.25	

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\$ 2,325.40

### Old Age Assistance (Town Account)

Appropriation, Account Administration .....	\$ 1,000.00
Appropriation, Account Assistance .....	\$ 22,000.00
Cash Refund .....	14.50
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	\$ 22,014.50

### Payments

#### Account Administration:

Salary of Agent .....	\$ 300.00
Salary of Social Worker .....	609.50
Travel .....	33.35
Postage, printing and stationery .....	45.99
Telephone .....	6.38
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	\$ 995.22

#### Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account .....	\$ 4.78
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	\$ 1,000.00

#### Account Assistance:

Cash .....	\$ 21,502.74
Medical services .....	4.00
Hospital, board and care .....	64.00
Burial .....	100.00
Other Cities and Towns .....	123.54
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	\$ 21,794.28

#### Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account .....	\$ 220.22
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	\$ 22,014.50

### Old Age Assistance (U. S. Grant)

Balance from 1943, Account Administration ....	\$ 203.27
Received from State Treasurer,	
Account Administration .....	628.92
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	\$ 832.19
Balance from 1943, Account Assistance .....	\$ 1,070.71
Received from State Treasurer,	
Account Assistance .....	18,869.47
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	\$ 19,940.18

### Payments

#### Account Administration:

Salary of Social Worker .....	\$	621.05	
Travel .....		45.70	
Postage, printing and stationery .....		44.02	
	\$	710.77	
Unexpended Balance, to 1945 .....		121.42	
			\$ 832.19

#### Account Assistance:

Cash .....	\$	18,445.68	
Hospital, board and care .....		6.00	
Medical services .....		6.00	
Other Cities and Towns .....		546.28	
	\$	19,003.96	
Unexpended Balance, to 1945 .....		936.22	
			\$ 19,940.18

### SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

#### State Aid

Appropriation .....	\$	600.00
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#### Payments

Cash .....	\$	460.00	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$	140.00	
			\$ 600.00

#### Military Aid

Appropriation .....	\$	600.00	
From Reserve Fund .....		60.00	
			\$ 660.00

#### Payments

Cash .....	\$	660.00
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## Soldiers' Relief

Appropriation ..... \$ 2,000.00

### Payments

#### Administration:

Clerical work .....	\$ 150.00
Printing .....	8.00

#### Relief:

Cash .....	950.00
Medical services .....	31.00
Medicines .....	53.14
Hospital, board and care .....	108.45
Food .....	229.78
Fuel .....	401.15

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\$ 1,931.52

#### Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account .....	\$ 68.48
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\$ 2,000.00

## War Allowance — World War 2

Appropriation ..... \$ 1,000.00

### Payments

#### Administration:

Clerical work .....	\$ 162.00
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#### Relief:

Cash .....	\$ 663.00
Hospital, board and care .....	47.00
Medical services .....	17.50
Fuel .....	6.36
Food .....	66.76
Shoes .....	3.95

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\$ 966.57

#### Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account .....	\$ 33.43
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\$ 1,000.00

## EDUCATION

### Schools

Appropriation ..... \$ 92,700.00

#### Payments

Superintendent's Salary .....	\$ 2,372.52
School Physician's Salary .....	200.00
School Nurse's Salary .....	1,100.04
Attendance Officer's Salary .....	200.00
Clerk's Salary .....	469.45
Superintendent's Travel and Expenses .....	143.34
Telephones .....	225.65
Salaries, Principals, Supervisors, Teachers .....	55,444.50
Salaries, Janitors .....	6,276.44
Insurance .....	172.17
Fuel .....	4,521.48
Water .....	81.40
Light .....	654.82
Building repairs and supplies .....	3,981.67
Transportation .....	11,590.00
Books and Supplies .....	3,564.08
Equipment repairs and replacements .....	625.12
Athletics .....	586.38
Miscellaneous .....	312.64
New equipment .....	122.48
Maintenance of grounds .....	31.50

\$ 92,675.68

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... \$ 24.32

\$ 92,700.00

### Vocational Training

Appropriation .....	\$ 350.00
From Reserve Fund .....	142.20

\$ 492.20

#### Payments

Tuition at Vocational Schools ..... \$ 492.20

### Library

Appropriation .....	\$ 1,000.00
Balance to 1945, (due from Trust Funds income) .....	10.96
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	\$ 1,010.96

### Payments

Salary, Librarian .....	\$ 420.00
Salary, Assistant Librarian .....	18.00
Salary, Janitor .....	48.00
Repairing books .....	8.85
Stationery and supplies .....	26.80
Books and Magazines .....	404.94
Light .....	18.37
Fuel .....	54.00
Repairs .....	12.00
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	\$1,010.96

### Parks

Appropriation .....	\$ 350.00
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### Payments

Labor .....	\$ 167.65
Flowers .....	12.40
Flags .....	12.46
Care Flag .....	39.00
Miscellaneous supplies .....	11.18
Repairs to Flag Pole .....	13.00
Electric Power .....	1.00
Equipment repairs and replacements .....	3.53
Trucking .....	15.00
Storage .....	10.00
New equipment .....	12.70
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	\$ 297.92
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	52.08
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	\$ 350.00

### Aid to Middlesex County Extension Service (Town 4-H Club)

Appropriation .....	\$ 100.00
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### Payment

To Treasurer of Town 4-H Club .....	\$ 100.00
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### Lease of American Legion Club House

Appropriation ..... \$ 750.00

#### Payment

Lease of Club House, 1 year..... \$ 750.00

#### Unclassified

Appropriation ..... \$ 1,500.00

#### Payments

Printing Town Reports .....	\$ 550.00
Delivering Town Reports .....	55.00
Disposal of dogs .....	164.00
Maintenance charge, Water Bonds	150.00
Refund Account Tax Title property	
and Interest .....	39.88
Insurance on Tax Title property ....	5.32
Cards to service men .....	132.48
Rent of Grange Hall .....	10.00
Signs and posts .....	86.09
Care of Town Flag .....	117.00
Care of Town Clock .....	75.00

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\$ 1,384.77

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

    Deficiency Account ..... \$ 115.23

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\$ 1,500.00

#### Memorial Day

Appropriation ..... \$ 400.00

#### Payments

Music .....	\$ 100.00
Printing .....	18.00
Flags .....	7.43
Flowers and wreaths .....	89.40
Transportation .....	20.00

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\$ 234.83

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

    Deficiency Account ..... \$ 165.17

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\$ 400.00



### Fire Insurance

Appropriation .....	\$ 1,000.00	
From Reserve Fund .....	68.98	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,068.98

### Payments

Fire Insurance Premiums .....	\$ 1,068.98
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### Indemnity Insurance

(Account drivers of Highway, Cemetery and Police Motor Vehicles)

Appropriation .....	\$ 500.00
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### Payments

Insurance Premiums .....	\$ 342.76	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$ 157.24	
	<hr/>	\$ 500.00

### Outstanding Bills (1943)

Appropriation, account Police Department .....	\$ 25.58
Appropriation, account Soldiers' Relief.....	31.72
Appropriation, account Unclassified .....	45.00
Appropriation, account Cemetery .....	69.89

### Payments

Account Police Department: Gas and Oil.....	\$ 25.58	
Account Soldiers' Relief:		
Medical services .....	\$ 6.00	
Board .....	15.72	
Food .....	10.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 31.72
Account Unclassified: Care Town Clock.....	45.00	
Account Cemetery:		
Maintenance of truck .....	\$ 42.89	
Equipment repairs .....	27.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 69.89

### War Honor Roll

Appropriation .....	\$ 200.00
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### Payments

Name plates .....	\$ 103.24	
Addition to Honor Roll Panel.....	93.34	
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	\$ 196.58	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	3.42	
	<hr/>	\$ 200.00

## Salary and Wage Increases

### (Account Police, Fire and Water Departments)

Appropriation .....	\$ 2,370.00	
From Reserve Fund .....	227.29	
		<hr/> \$ 2,597.99

#### Payments

Account Police Department .....	\$ 968.60	
Account Fire Department .....	757.82	
Account Water Department .....	871.57	
		<hr/> \$ 2,597.99

### Civilian Defense

Balance from 1943 .....	\$ 227.68
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#### Payments

Telephones .....	\$ 54.63	
Light .....	9.00	
Bond, U. S. Property Officer .....	5.00	
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	\$ 68.63	
Unexpended Balance, to 1945.....	159.05	
		<hr/> \$ 227.68

### War Bonds

Appropriation (From Excess and Deficiency) .....	\$ 10,000.00
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#### Payments

United States Government Bonds .....	\$ 10,000.00
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### Water Department

Balance from 1943 .....	\$ 1,898.65	
From Excess and Deficiency Account .....	874.31	
Services .....	1,036.74	
Water Rates .....	23,197.10	
Hydrant Rental:		
Wilmington .....	\$ 5,720.00	
Tewksbury .....	120.00	
		<hr/> \$ 5,840.00
Miscellaneous Sales .....	36.77	
Pump Hire .....	32.00	
Shut Offs and Turn Ons .....	218.00	
Demands .....	3.25	
Interest .....	6.28	
		<hr/> \$ 33,143.10

## Payments

Salaries and Wages .....	\$ 8,740.81	
Pumping Station, Maintenance .....	2,844.61	
Trucks and Autos .....	585.06	
Services, Material .....	792.55	
Office, Rent, Light, Heat, Janitor, Postage, Printing, etc .....	612.96	
Tools .....	46.10	
Workmen's Compensation, Public Liability, Boiler and Automobile Insurance .....	327.20	
Maintenance:		
Equipment .....	\$ 221.21	
Street Mains .....	38.66	
Well Field .....	147.98	
Services .....	64.08	
Recorder .....	72.52	
Hydrants .....	50.46	
Miscellaneous .....	91.22	
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	\$ 14,635.42	
Transferred to Water Revenue, Interest Account	7,219.25	
Transferred to Water Revenue, Maturing Debt Account .....	10,000.00	
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	\$ 31,854.67	
Unexpended Balance, to 1945 .....	1,288.43	
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		\$ 33,143.10

## Water Revenue Account

### Dr.

To Revenue Account, Appropriation for Interest	\$ 7,219.25	
To Revenue Account, Appropriation for Maturing Debt .....	10,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 17,219.25

### Cr.

From Water Department, Account Interest .....	\$ 7,219.25	
From Water Department, Account Maturing Debt .....	10,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 17,219.25

### Cemetery

Appropriation (From Taxes) .....	\$ 2,000.00	
(From Cemetery Reserve Fund) .....	1,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,000.00
From Reserve Fund .....		400.00
From Trust Funds Income .....		76.67
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		\$ 3,476.67

### Payments

Wages .....	\$ 2,670.16	
Light and Fuel .....	35.49	
Postage, printing and stationery ....	29.18	
Telephone .....	3.30	
Water .....	60.75	
Truck Maintenance .....	110.88	
Materials and Supplies .....	80.68	
Tools .....	35.83	
Equipment Repairs .....	135.62	
Loam and Gravel .....	47.50	
Fertilizer, Seeds and Flowers .....	124.61	
Resetting Monument .....	10.00	
New Equipment .....	110.00	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance .....	22.67	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,476.67

### Cemetery Reserve Fund

#### Cr.

Balance from 1943 .....	\$ 2,467.00	
Sales of Lots and Graves .....	1,748.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 4,215.00

#### Dr.

To Revenue Account,		
Cemetery Appropriation .....	\$ 1,000.00	
Balance, to 1945 .....	3,215.00	
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### Reserve Fund

Appropriation .....	\$ 5,000.00	
Transferred to:		
Police Department .....	\$ 181.08	
Fire Department .....	394.04	
Building Inspection .....	35.00	

Tree Warden .....	350.00
Road Machinery Account .....	500.00
Military Aid .....	60.00
Vocational Training .....	142.20
Fire Insurance .....	68.98
Salary and Wage Increases .....	227.99
Cemetery .....	400.00

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\$ 2,359.29

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... \$ 2,640.71

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\$ 5,000.00

#### Interest

Appropriation (From Taxes) .....	\$ 846.50
(From Water Revenue) .....	7,219.25

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\$ 8,065.75

#### Payments

Interest on:

Temporary Loan .....	\$ 298.75
Municipal Relief Loans .....	40.50
Water Department Bonds .....	7,156.25
Water Department Notes .....	63.00
School Department Loans .....	142.50
Fire Department Loan .....	11.25
Highway Department Loan .....	9.17
War Bonds (Premium and Ac- cumulated Interest) .....	44.94

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\$ 7,766.36

Unexpended Balance, to Excess and

Deficiency Account ..... \$ 299.39

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\$ 8,065.75

#### Maturing Debt

Appropriation (From Taxes) .....	\$ 12,450.00
(From Water Revenue) .....	10,000.00

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\$ 22,450.00

#### Payments

School Department Loans .....	\$ 3,000.00
Municipal Relief Loans .....	2,050.00
Fire Department Loan .....	1,500.00

Water Department Loan, Bonds .....	12,500.00	
Water Department Loan, Notes .....	1,400.00	
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	\$ 20,450.00	
Unexpended Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	2,000.00	
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		\$ 22,450.00

## TRUST FUNDS

### New Trust Funds — 1944

Received for Perpetual Care of Cemetery Lots..... \$ 250.00

#### Payments

To Trustees of Trust Funds ..... \$ 250.00

### Trust Funds, 1944 Income Account

#### Dr.

Paid to S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee .....	\$	125.00	
Paid to Trustees, balance 1943 income .....		9.45	
Paid to Trustees, 1944 income .....		150.00	
Transferred to Cemetery Account .....		76.67	
Balance from 1943 .....			\$ 86.12
Received 1944 Income .....			150.00
Balance to 1945 .....			125.00
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	\$	361.12	\$ 361.12

### Trust Funds — 1939 Account

#### Dr.

Balance from 1943 ..... \$ 11.14

#### Cr.

Received Income .....		\$ 4.02	
Balance to 1945 .....			7.12
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	\$	11.14	\$ 11.14

## OVERLAYS

### 1933 Overlay

#### Dr.

1933 Taxes Abated ..... \$ 8.56

#### Cr.

Balance to 1945 ..... \$ 8.56

### 1937 Overlay

	Dr.		
1937 Taxes Abated .....	\$	102.71	
	Cr.		
Balance to 1945 .....		\$	102.71

### 1938 Overlay

	Dr.		
1938 Taxes Abated .....	\$	155.87	
	Cr.		
Balance to 1945 .....		\$	155.87

### 1939 Overlay

	Dr.		
1939 Taxes Abated .....	\$	492.13	
	Cr.		
Balance to 1945 .....		\$	492.13

### 1940 Overlay

	Dr.		
Balance from 1943 .....	\$	199.93	
	Cr.		
Levied by Assessors .....		\$	199.93

### 1941 Overlay

	Dr.		
1941 Taxes Refunded .....	\$	2.00	
1941 Taxes Abated .....		255.55	
Balance to 1945 .....		11.03	
	Cr.		
Balance from 1943 .....		\$	268.58
	\$	268.58	\$ 268.58

### 1942 Overlay

1942 Taxes Abated .....	\$	1,225.01	
Balance to 1945 .....		1,165.83	
	Cr.		
Balance from 1943 .....		\$	2,390.84
	\$	2,390.84	\$ 2,390.84

### 1943 Overlay

Dr.

1943 Taxes Abated .....	\$	295.20
Balance, to 1945 .....		4,672.44

Cr.

Balance from 1943 .....	\$	4,967.64
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	\$	\$ 4,967.64

### 1944 Overlay

Dr.

1944 Taxes Refunded .....	\$	114.66
1944 Taxes Abated .....		1,226.05
Balance, to 1945 .....		4,206.65

Cr.

Levied by Assessors .....	\$	5,547.36
		5,547.36
	\$5,547.36	\$ 5,547.36

### Revenue Account

Dr.

Balance from 1943 (Deficit) .....	\$	485.31
Appropriations, for Town Purposes .....		272,442.94
1940 Overlay Deficit .....		199.93
State Tax .....		8,470.00
State Parks and Reservations Tax .....		182.61
State Audit .....		1,892.06
Hospital or Home Care, Civil War Veterans .....		313.00
1943 County Tax (Balance) .....		289.95
1944 County Tax .....		5,417.80
Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment .....		1,364.79
1944 Overlay .....		5,547.36

\$296,605.75

Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	133.50
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\$296,739.25

Cr.

Taxes Committed to Collector .....	\$190,676.04
Water Revenue (Account Interest) .....	7,219.25
Water Revenue (Account Maturing Debt) .....	10,000.00
Cemetery Reserve Fund (Account Cemetery) .....	1,000.00



Excess and Deficiency Account (Account U. S. War Bonds)	10,000.00
1943 State Parks and Reservations, (Balance)	5.54
Estimated Receipts	77,838.42
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	\$296,739.25

### Tax Titles

#### Dr.

Balance from 1943	\$ 22,023.65
1942 Taxes	220.41
1943 Taxes	145.50
1944 Taxes	2,824.08
Costs, sale account 1942 Taxes	132.90
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	\$ 25,346.54

#### Cr.

Redemptions	\$ 1,823.12
Sales Low Value Properties	289.50
Loss, Low Value Sale in 1943	424.49
Tax Titles Properties taken by Town in 1943	36.46
Loss, Low Value Sale in 1944	384.22
Tax Title Property taken by Town in 1944	37.58
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	\$ 2,995.37
Balance, to 1945	22,351.17
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	\$ 25,346.54

### Tax Titles — Revenue

#### Dr.

Tax Title Redemptions	\$ 1,823.12
Sales, Low Value Properties	289.50
Loss, Low Value Sales	808.71
Tax Titles taken by Town	74.04
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	\$ 2,995.37
Balance, to 1945	22,351.17
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	\$ 25,346.54

#### Cr.

Balance from 1943	\$ 22,023.65
From Excess and Deficiency, Account 1942 Taxes	220.41
From Excess and Deficiency, Account 1943 Taxes	145.50
From Excess and Deficiency, Account 1944 Taxes	2,824.08
Tax Title Account, Cost sale 1942 Taxes	132.90
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	\$ 25,346.54

# **Tax Titles — Possessions**

## **Dr.**

Balance from 1943 .....	\$	335.46
Low Value Tax Titles taken by Town in 1943 .....		36.46
Low Value Tax Titles taken by Town in 1944 .....		37.58

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\$ 409.50

## **Cr.**

Balance to 1945 .....	\$	409.50
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# **Tax Titles, Possessions — Revenue**

## **Dr.**

Balance to 1945 .....	\$	409.50
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## **Cr.**

Balance from 1943 .....	\$	335.46
Low Value Tax Titles taken by Town in 1943 .....		36.46
Low Value Tax Titles taken by Town in 1944 .....		37.58

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\$ 409.50

# **Estimated Receipts**

## **Dr.**

### **Amounts Estimated by Assessors:**

Income Tax .....	\$ 24,021.58
Corporation Taxes .....	6,295.60
Reimbursement, Loss of Taxes .....	7.46
Gasoline Tax (Chapter 569, 1943) .....	6,546.40
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Taxes .....	3,500.00
Licenses .....	3,400.00
General Government .....	200.00
Protection of Persons and Property .....	100.00
Health and Sanitation .....	250.00
Charities .....	5,400.00
Old Age Assistance .....	17,000.00
Old Age Assistance (Meal Tax) .....	837.38
Soldiers' Benefits .....	600.00
Schools .....	6,000.00
Library .....	80.00
Cemetery .....	600.00
Interest .....	3,000.00

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\$ 77,838.42

### **Refunds, 1944 Motor Vehicle and**

Trailer Excise Taxes .....	21.41
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### **Balance, (Excess) to Excess and**

Deficiency Account .....	3,622.29
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\$ 81,482.12

## Cr.

## Amounts Actually Received:

Income Tax .....	\$ 26,340.00
Corporation Taxes .....	9,002.14
Reimbursement, Taxes on State Owned Land .....	7.46
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Taxes .....	4,255.19
Licenses .....	3,410.50
Court Fines .....	167.00
Gasoline Tax .....	6,546.40

## General Government:

## Treasurer:

Tax Title Deeds of Release .....	\$ 75.00
Return, Land Court Fees .....	36.60
Reimbursement, Postage .....	40.69
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	\$ 152.29

## Tax Collector:

Poll Tax Collection Costs .....	\$ 93.10
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## Town Hall:

Telephone Tolls .....	\$ .10
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	\$ 245.49

## Protection of Persons and Property:

## Police Department:

Telephone Tolls .....	\$ 5.54
Emergency Messages .....	5.76
Bicycle Registration Fees .....	14.00
Return Insurance Premium .....	16.84
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	\$ 42.14

## Ambulance:

Hire .....	\$ 222.50
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## Fire Department:

Refund of wages .....	\$ 2.50
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## Inspection of Buildings:

Fees .....	\$ 50.00
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## Sealing of Weights and Measures

Fees .....	\$ 43.06
Refund, account lumber .....	75.00
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	\$ 118.06

## Health and Sanitation:

From State, Subsidy account	
Middlesex County Sanatorium	\$ 157.86
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	\$ 593.06

**Highways:**

State, Snow Removal .....	\$	121.00		
Refund, Compensation Insurance Premium .....		9.93		
		<hr/>	\$	130.93 \$ 130.93

**Charities:****Board of Public Welfare:**

State .....	\$	1,340.06		
From Other Cities and Towns .....		404.53		
Reimbursements, from				
Individuals .....		821.00		
Sale of Paper Bags .....		4.05		
		<hr/>	\$	2,569.64

**Aid to Dependent Children:**

State .....	\$	2,399.76		
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**Old Age Assistance:**

State .....	\$	15,895.56		
State, Meal Tax .....		1,004.72		
From Other Cities and Towns .....		1,262.88	\$	18,163.16 \$ 23,132.56
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**Soldiers' Benefits:****State Aid:**

State .....	\$	510.00		
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**Military Aid:**

State .....	\$	112.50		
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**War Allowance:**

State .....	\$	604.00		
		<hr/>	\$	1,226.50

**Education:****Schools:**

Dog Licenses, County .....	\$	563.92		
Tuition, State .....		1,489.46		
Sale of Supplies .....		6.70		
Lost and damaged books .....		9.18		
Telephone Tolls .....		.55		
		<hr/>	\$	2,069.81

**Library:**

Fines, etc. ....	\$	75.91		
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**Cemetery:**

Burial Expenses .....	\$	720.00		
Foundations .....		130.77		
Sale of Wood .....		5.00		
Markers .....		15.00		
Truck Hire .....		1.00		
		<hr/>	\$	871.77

## Interest:

On Taxes .....	\$ 2,358.60
On Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Taxes .....	22.62
On Redeemed Tax Titles .....	367.47
On Bank Deposits .....	1.35
Refund, account Tax Title Loans	21.06
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	\$ 2,771.10

## Unclassified:

From County	
Account Dog Damage .....	\$ 88.00
Sale of Town Property Bal. ....	50.00
Return Fire Insurance	
Premiums .....	453.30
Rent of Town Property .....	45.00
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	\$ 636.30
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	\$ 81,482.12

## Excess and Deficiency Account

## Dr.

To Revenue Account .....	\$ 10,000.00
To Water Department .....	874.31
To Tax Titles—Revenue, 1944 Taxes .....	2,824.08
To Tax Titles—Revenue, 1943 Taxes .....	145.50
To Tax Titles—Revenue, 1942 Taxes .....	220.41
Balance, to 1945 .....	73,039.61
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	\$ 87,103.91

## Cr.

Balance from 1943 .....	\$ 69,715.49
Tax Title Revenue, Redemptions .....	1,823.12
Tax Title Revenue, Sales of Low Value .....	289.50
Unexpended Departmental Balances .....	11,520.01
Excess, Estimated Receipts .....	3,622.29
Revenue Account, Balance .....	133.50
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	\$ 87,103.91

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## (Account Highways)

## 1943 Account

## Dr.

Balance from 1943 .....	\$ 304.28
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## Cr.

Received from County .....	\$ 304.28
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# 1944 Account

Dr.

Allotment, account Chapter 90, Maintenance .... \$ 857.69

Cr.

Balance, to 1945 ..... \$ 857.69

## U. S. Withholding Tax

Dr.

Paid U. S. Depository ..... \$ 9,418.08

Cr.

Deductions from salaries and wages ..... \$ 9,418.08

## STATEMENT OF TOWN DEBT

### Temporary Loans

(Anticipation of Revenue)

#### Outstanding January 1, 1944:

Note No. 333.....	\$ 5,000.00	
Note No. 334 .....	40,000.00	
Note No. 335 .....	30,000.00	
		<hr/> \$ 75,000.00

#### Borrowed during 1944:

Note No. 336 .....	\$ 25,000.00	
Note No. 338 .....	5,000.00	
		<hr/> \$ 30,000.00

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\$105,000.00

#### Paid during 1944:

Note No. 333 .....	\$ 5,000.00	
Note No. 334 .....	40,000.00	
Note No. 335 .....	30,000.00	
		<hr/> \$ 75,000.00

Outstanding December 31, 1944..... \$ 30,000.00

### Highway Loans

(Account Chapter 90, Maintenance)

#### Outstanding January 1, 1944:

Note No. 332 .....	\$ 2,000.00
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#### Borrowed during 1944:

Note No. 337 .....	2,000.00	
		<hr/> \$ 4,000.00

#### Paid during 1944:

Note No. 332 .....	2,000.00	
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Outstanding December 31, 1944 ..... \$ 2,000.00

### **Municipal Relief Loans**

Outstanding January 1, 1944 .....	\$ 4,050.00
Paid during 1944:	
Note No. 304 .....	\$ 2,050.00
Outstanding December 31, 1944 .....	\$ 2,000.00

### **School Department Loans**

Outstanding January 1, 1944:	
Buzzell School Loan (issue of 1935) .....	\$ 4,000.00
Silver Lake School Loan (issue of 1939) ....	5,000.00
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	\$ 9,000.00
Paid during 1944:	
Notes Nos. 165, 166, Buzzell School .....	\$ 2,000.00
Note No. 266, Silver Lake School .....	1,000.00
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	\$ 3,000.00
Outstanding December 31, 1944 .....	\$ 6,000.00

### **Fire Department Loan**

Outstanding January 1, 1944:	
Note No. 290 .....	\$ 1,500.00
Paid during 1944:	
Note No. 290 .....	\$ 1,500.00

### **Water Department Bonds**

Outstanding January 1, 1944 .....	\$187,500.00
Paid during 1944 .....	12,500.00
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Outstanding December 31, 1944 .....	\$175,000.00

### **Water Department Notes**

Outstanding January 1, 1944 .....	\$ 2,800.00
Paid during 1944:	
Note No. 192 .....	1,400.00
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Outstanding Dec. 31, 1944 .....	\$ 1,400.00

# Summary of Town Debt

Temporary Loans (Revenue) .....	\$ 32,000.00
Temporary Loan (Highway) .....	2,000.00
Municipal Relief Loans .....	2,000.00
School Department Loans .....	6,000.00
Water Department Bonds .....	175,000.00
Water Department Notes .....	1,400.00
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Outstanding December 31, 1944 .....	\$218,400.00
Outstanding December 31, 1943 .....	281,850.00
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Decrease .....	\$ 63,450.00



# BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1944

Dr.		Cr.	
Cash in Treasury .....	\$ 64,286.74	Temporary Loans (Anticipation of Revenue) \$	30,000.00
Uncollected Taxes:		Temporary Loan (Highways) .....	2,000.00
1940 .....	\$ 198.26	Town Clerk .....	30.00
1941 .....	112.03	Moth Department .....	2.84
1942 .....	108.01	Highways .....	108.72
1943 .....	15,083.24	Road Machinery Account .....	1.39
1944 .....	43,905.30	Street Lights .....	632.95
Uncollected Motor Vehicle and	\$ 59,406.84	Aid to Dependent Children, U. S. Adm. ....	36.98
Trailer Excise Taxes:		Aid to Dependent Children, U. S. Aid .....	440.25
1942 .....	\$ .97	Old Age Assistance, U. S. Adm. ....	121.42
1943 .....	104.33	Old Age Assistance, U. S. Assist. ....	936.22
1944 .....	176.59	Civilian Defense .....	159.05
Library Account .....	\$ 281.89	Water Department .....	1,288.43
State (Account Highways) .....	10.96	Shawsheen Ave.-Lake St. Water Mains .....	500.00
County (Account Highways) .....	857.69	Vocational Training (1932-1936) .....	695.24
Trust Funds, Income Account, 1939 .....	857.69	Surplus War Bonus Funds .....	1,475.83
Trust Funds, Income Account, 1944 .....	7.12	State Highway Damages .....	84.00
1933 Overlay .....	125.00	Tailings Account .....	352.99
1937 Overlay .....	8.58	1941 Overlay .....	11.03
1938 Overlay .....	102.71	1942 Overlay .....	1,165.83
1939 Overlay .....	155.87	1943 Overlay .....	4,672.44
	492.13	1944 Overlay .....	4,206.65
		Dog Licenses (Due County) .....	21.60

Authorized Loans .....	2,000.00
Tax Titles .....	22,351.17
Tax Titles—Possessions .....	409.59

Highway Machinery Fund .....	846.55
Cemetery Reserve Fund .....	3,215.00
Loans Authorized—Unissued .....	2,000.00
Tax Titles—Revenue .....	22,351.17
Tax Titles,—Possessions—Revenue .....	409.59
Hospital-Home Care Veterans .....	248.00
Tax Refunds Payable .....	18.31
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	
Taxes—Revenue .....	281.89
Excess and Deficiency Account .....	73,039.61

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\$151,353.89

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Net, Funded or Fixed Debt .....

Water Department Bonds .....	\$175,000.00
Water Department Notes .....	1,400.00
School Department Notes .....	6,000.00
Municipal Relief Notes .....	2,000.00

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\$184,400.00

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\$184,400.00

# TRUST ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities ..... \$ 24,149.43

Sears Cook Walker School Fund .....	\$ 321.75
S. D. J. Carter Lecture Fund .....	6,836.94
Chester W. Clark Library Fund .....	721.81
Burnap Library Fund .....	285.35
Benjamin Buck Library Fund .....	652.05
Charlotte C. Smith Library Fund .....	693.30
Sabra Carter Common Fund .....	200.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds .....	9,438.23
Lizzie T. B. Sweatt Cemetery Fund .....	5,000.00

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\$ 24,149.43

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\$ 24,149.43

HARRY R. DEMING,

Town Accountant.

# REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS, 1944

	Bank	Book No.	Amount	Interest Accumulated	Withdrawn	Balance on Deposit
S. D. J. Carter Lecture Fund .....	Woburn	56672	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 82.06	\$	\$ 2,082.06
	Mechanics	11437	4,578.50	247.97	\$125.00	4,701.47
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			\$ 6,578.50	\$ 330.03	\$ 125.00	\$ 6,783.53
Library Funds:						
Chester W. Clark .....	Mechanics	17540	\$ 500.00	\$232.67	\$ 10.96	\$ 721.71
Burnap .....	Andover	8512	200.00	91.08		291.08
Benjamin Buck .....	Andover	18341	500.00	165.15		665.15
Charlotte C. Smith .....	Mechanics	4215	500.00	203.74		703.74
Sears Cook Walker, Walker School Fund .....	Mechanics	12819	257.00	69.59		326.59
Sabra Carter Common Fund .....	Andover	18349	200.00	4.02	4.02	200.00
Cemetery Funds:						
Lizzie T. B. Sweatt .....	Town Note	No. 338	5,000.00			5,000.00
Lizzie T. B. Sweatt .....	Mechanics	24535		159.45		159.45
Isaac Cazneau .....	Andover	18985	100.00	21.29		121.29
Geo. W. and Minnie A. Sidelinker .....	Andover	22450	200.00	28.83		228.83
Susan S. Carlton .....	Andover	18345	75.00	15.16		90.16
Sabra Carter (Jaques Lot) .....	Andover	18347	200.00	40.69		240.69
William H. Carter .....	Andover	24631	100.00	17.87		117.87
Dolly Harnden .....	Andover	18342	100.00	12.50		112.50

<i>Bank</i>	<i>Book No.</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Interest Accumulated</i>	<i>Withdrawn</i>	<i>Balance on Deposit</i>
Thomas P. Eames .....	18346	100.00	18.41		118.41
Sabra Carter .....	18348	100.00	26.38		126.38
Rich Carter .....	22451	100.00	12.82		112.82
James Frazer .....	18343	200.00	36.41		236.41
Martha Temple .....	18344	100.00	13.45		113.45
S. D. J. Carter .....	22579	200.00	72.87		272.87
Thomas Day .....	31514	100.00	15.29		115.29
Almira J. Carley .....	32237	100.00	18.94		118.94
Jonathan Eames, 2nd .....	35188	100.00	15.24		115.24
Abner C. Childs .....	33384	100.00	10.20		110.20
Gilman C. Harnden .....	32614	100.00	9.47		109.47
Laura Parker .....	32615	50.00	7.34		57.34
Sarah G. Sheldon .....	33814	200.00	58.10		258.10
Charlotte C. Smith .....	4214	50.00	8.76		58.76
Chas. H. Hopkins .....	17526	200.00	49.49		249.49
Rufus C. Eames .....	17527	100.00	12.96		112.96
John Sheldon Sargent .....	17528	100.00	12.96		112.96
Isabelle Holt .....	17529	75.00	13.19		88.19
Henry Blanchard .....	17530	50.00	8.14		58.14
Nathan B. Eames .....	6899	100.00	14.45		114.45
Lorenzo Meads .....	7176	100.00	15.06		115.06
George E. Swain .....	17531	100.00	12.05		112.05
Jostiah Monroe (Care Elbridge H. Carter and Walter Blanchard Lots) .....	7559	100.00	14.74		114.74
.....Mechanics					

<i>Bank</i>	<i>Book No.</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Interest Accumulated</i>	<i>Withdrawn</i>	<i>Balance on Deposit</i>
Jacob H. Shedd .....	17532	100.00	13.37		113.37
George T. Eames .....	17533	200.00	35.05		235.05
Newman Parker, Jr. ....	17534	100.00	14.87		114.87
Irwin E. Morse .....	8531	100.00	22.22		122.22
Sylvester and Lois R. Carter .....	8990	100.00	17.75		117.75
Capt. Geo. W. McIntosh .....	9662	200.00	48.28		248.28
Mary A. Gowing .....	10283	100.00	17.25		117.24
S. Lizzie Carter .....	10282	100.00	22.08		122.08
Julia M. Parker (Ward Parker Lot) .....	10641	100.00	17.25		117.25
Manuel and Elizabeth Dexter .....	10640	50.00	10.86		60.86
Jaques Gowing .....	10639	100.00	17.05		117.05
Maud K. Tuttle, Lot 60 B .....	10693	100.00	16.76		116.76
Benjamin T. Glover .....	10953	100.00	19.94		119.94
John W. Perry, Lot 222, Sec. D .....	10967	100.00	19.40		119.40
Mary E. Kelley, Lot 322, Sec. E .....	10968	100.00	16.51		116.51
Caleb S. Harriman, Lot 53 .....	11642	100.00	19.00		119.00
John N. Eames, Lot 137 .....	11643	100.00	19.48		119.48
Lemuel E. Eames .....	12493	100.00	20.00		120.00
Sarah H. Jackson, Lot 497 .....	12494	100.00	19.08		119.08
Henry G. Gowing, Lot 20 .....	12495	150.00	21.63		171.63
Susan A. Hamlin, Lot 646 A .....	12820	100.00	19.50		119.50
Wm. H. McCabe, Lot 334 .....	12121	100.00	22.79		122.79
Walter A. Hill, Lot 458 .....	13322	100.00	20.87		120.87
Rachel Clough, Lot 132 .....	13323	100.00	20.87		120.87

	<i>Bank</i>	<i>Book No.</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Interest Accumulated</i>	<i>Withdrawn</i>	<i>Balance on Deposit</i>
Samuel Manning and Stephen Buck, Lot 73.....	Mechanics	13324	100.00	20.87		120.87
Clifford H. Wilson, Lot 54 .....	Mechanics	13325	100.00	20.87		120.87
Edward B. Manning, Lot 196-203 .....	Mechanics	13360	100.00	20.92		120.92
Thomas J. Morley, Lot 81, Sec. F .....	Mechanics	17535	100.00	17.42		117.42
Sydney C. Buck, Lot 274 Sec. D .....	Mechanics	17536	100.00	16.44		116.44
John Simpson (Levi Swain Lots 134, 140, Sec. B .....	Mechanics	17537	150.00	28.25		178.25
Mrs. William T. Duffy, Lot 11, Main Av. Sec. A .....	Mechanics	17538	100.00	16.12		116.12
Deacon Levi Parker, Lot 2, Old Cemetery .....	Mechanics	15602	100.00	18.00		118.00
Annie L. Priggen, Lot 75, Sec. F .....	Mechanics	17539	100.00	15.41		115.41
Chas. and Ella Blaisdell, Lot 80, Sec. F .....	Mechanics	17267	100.00	13.16		113.16
George Gowing, Lot 178, Sec. F .....	Mechanics	17268	100.00	12.71		112.71
Mary C. Roman, Lot 501, Sec. F .....	Mechanics	18151	100.00	12.43		112.43
Wilford Fletcher, Lot 637, Sec. B .....	Mechanics	18152	100.00	12.43		112.43
Milo Van Steensburg, Lot 93 A Sec. E .....	Mechanics	18153	100.00	8.69		108.69
Sarah A. Call, Lot 295, Sec. D .....	Mechanics	18955	100.00	9.75		109.75
Elbridge Harnden .....	Mechanics	19870	100.00	7.31		107.31
Pettingill-Glover .....	Mechanics	19869	100.00	7.31		107.31
August G. MacLeod .....	Mechanics	20895	100.00	5.00		105.00
Mrs. Guy B. Cook, Lot 182 .....	Mechanics	22004	150.00	4.67		154.67
Estate Arthur O. Buck, Lot 642, Sec. B .....	Mechanics	22005	100.00	3.11		103.11
Edward N. Eames, Lot 462, Sec. B .....	Mechanics	22921	100.00	1.63		101.63



<i>Bank</i>	<i>Book No.</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Interest Accumulated</i>	<i>Withdrawn</i>	<i>Balance on Deposit</i>
Mary F. Fitzgerald, Lot 110, 111 .....	Mechanics	23337	100.00	1.25	101.25
Walter L. Hale .....	Mechanics	23472	100.00	.75	100.75
George L. Dillaway .....	Mechanics	24530	100.00		100.00
Jennie Brabant .....	Mechanics	24532	50.00		50.00
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		\$15,607.00	\$2,305.11	\$ 14.98	\$17,897.13

CALEB S. HARRIMAN,

PHILIP B. BUZZELL,

EDWARD M. NEILSON,

Trustees of Trust Funds.



## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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To Harry J. Ainsworth, a Constable of the Town of Wilmington:

Greetings: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in the By-Laws of said Town, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Monday the fifth day of March next at 9:45 o'clock in the forenoon, the polls to be opened at 10:00 A. M. and shall be closed at 8:00 P. M. for the election of Town Officers.

Article 1. To bring in your votes on one ballot respectively for the following named Town Officers, to wit: One Selectman, who shall also act as a member of the Board of Survey for the term of three years; one Assessor for the term of three years; a Town Clerk for the term of one year; a Town Treasurer for the term of one year; a Collector of Taxes for the term of one year; a Constable for the term of one year; one member of the Board of Public Welfare for the term of three years; two members of the School Committee for the term of three years; two Trustees of the Public Library for the term of three years; one Trustee of the Public Library for one year, to fill vacancy; one member of the S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee for the term of five years; one Water Commissioner for the term of three years; one member of the Planning Board for the term of three years; one Tree Warden for the term of one year; one Trustee of Trust Fund for the term of three years; one Trustee of Trust Fund for two years, to fill vacancy; one Moderator for the term of one year.

You are also hereby further required and directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington, who are qualified to vote in elections and town affairs therein, to assemble subsequently and meet in Town Meeting at the Grange Hall, Wildwood Street, in said Town of Wilmington on Monday, the 12th day of March, A. D., 1945 at eight o'clock P. M. then and there to act on the following Articles:

Article 2. To choose all other Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To hear the reports of Committees and act thereon.

Article 4. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the following items:

General Government	Library
Protection of Persons and Property	Parks
Highways	Insurance
Charities	Maturing Debt
Soldiers' Benefits	Interest
Educational	Unclassified
Water Department	Reserve Fund
Cemetery	Health and Sanitation

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1945, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to pay for insurance providing indemnity for the protection of the officers and employees of the Highway, Cemetery and Police Departments of the Town against loss by reason of their liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries, including death, at any time resulting therefrom, caused by the operation, within the scope of their official duties or employment of motor vehicles owned by the Town, to an amount not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) on account of injury to or death of one person, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, Chapter 40, of the General Laws, as amended or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) for the observance of Memorial Day, and that the Moderator appoint a committee who shall arrange and have charge of such observance, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell at public auction in the evening, properties taken by the Town under Tax Title foreclosure procedure, and to execute all documents necessary to carry out the purpose of this vote, provided however, that before any sales are made due notice of the time and place of sale shall be given by advertising in the local paper and

Lowell Sun at least fourteen (14) days before the sale and deeds executed hereunder must be recorded within twenty (20) days of their execution.

Article 9. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Department 1944 Unpaid Bills.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or some other amount, the money to be expended under the direction of the 4-H Town Committee, serving in cooperation with the Middlesex County Extension Service, under the provisions of Section 40 to 45, Chapter 129, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to have a committee appointed to study and recommend what action should be taken by the Town to provide suitable housing facilities for the Fire Department equipment and personnel.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) for the purpose of renewing, under the authority of Section 9, of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as Amended, the lease of the American Legion Club House in Wilmington for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for the Wilmington Posts of the American Legion and of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Welfare to appoint one of its members as agent for the Board and fix the salary of such agent in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws. Request of the Board of Public Welfare.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money, this money for the purchase of a new automobile and equipment therefor for the Police Department and/or authorize the sale or turn in of the present police car as credit toward such purchase, or do anything in relation thereto. Request of the Chief of the Police Department.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) from the Excess and Deficiency Account to be used for the purchase of War Bonds, the proceeds of which are to be used for future water main extensions at the discretion of the Board of Water commissioners, or such extensions as the Town

may direct by its vote, or do anything in relation thereto. Request of Finance Committee.

Article 16. To see if the Town will authorize the purchase of a Sand Spreader for the Highway Department and transfer any sum therefor to be paid from the Highway Road Machinery Fund, or do anything in relation thereto. Request of the Superintendent of Streets.

Article 17. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or any amount, to be expended by the School Committee for the preparation of plans for the development of the Roman property and the construction of buildings thereon, or do anything in relation thereto. Request of the School Committee.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise the salaries of the members of the Towns' regular police force, or do anything in relation thereto. Petition of Lawrence A. Babine, Jr., and others.

Article 19. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to meet the increase in salaries of the regular or permanent police force, or do anything in relation thereto. Petition of Lawrence A. Babine, Jr., and others.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for insurance against injury during the performance of duty of the regular or permanent police force, or do anything in relation thereto. Petition of Louis L. Kleyner and others.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Board of Selectmen to contract for one (1) electric light to be installed at the corner of Belmont Avenue and Columbia Street or do anything in relation thereto. On petition of John J. Finnerty and others.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Board of Selectmen to contract for three (3) electric lights to be installed on Westdale Avenue or do anything in relation thereto. Petition of William A. Anderson and others.

Article 23. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$8,400.00) in addition to the regular school appropriation, to be expended by the School Committee, if it accepts such appropriation, for the purpose of raising the annual salary of each teacher (including supervisors) in the Wilmington School System, retroactively from September 1, 1944, by the amount of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00). Petition of Harry J. Ainsworth and others.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to limit, restrict, or forbid any citizen of said Town of Wilmington, from holding more than one of the following Town Offices, at the same time, Selectman, Assessor, Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, or do anything in relation thereto. Petition of William H. Feindel and others.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following streets as laid out by the Board of Survey and raise and appropriate the sums stated to improve and put said streets or ways into a passable condition:—

Street	Distance	Raise & Appropriate
Auburn Avenue .....	800 Ft.	50.00
Baker Street .....	700 "	200.00
Bartlett Street .....	400 "	150.00
Brattle Street .....	1100 "	200.00
Burnap Street .....	900 "	75.00
Burt Road .....	1800 "	350.00
Cedar Street .....	600 "	50.00
Fay Street .....	500 "	250.00
Harris Street .....	700 "	50.00
Hobson Street .....	800 "	100.00
Kendall Street .....	1300 "	75.00
King Street .....	1200 "	350.00
Marion Street .....	900 "	500.00
Massachusetts Avenue .....	800 "	150.00
Miles Street .....	400 "	100.00
Miller Road .....	640 "	50.00
North Street .....	1070 "	100.00
Pine Street .....	400 "	100.00
Winchell Road .....	200 "	50.00
	<hr/> 15,210 Ft.	<hr/> \$2,950.00

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant, or a certified copy thereof, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk as soon as may be and before said meeting.

Given under our hands and Seal of said Town this 19th Day of February, A. D., One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-five.

CHARLES H. BLACK, Chairman  
FRANK W. DAYTON  
JOHN D. COOKE

Board of Selectmen

# *Annual Report*

OF THE

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

OF

**WILMINGTON, MASS.**



TOGETHER WITH THE

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

**FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,**

**1944**





## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

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### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. August MacLeod, Chairman	North Wilmington	1944-1947
Mrs. Vilma Bedell, Secretary	Wilmington	1944-1947
Mr. Burt Tilley	Wilmington	1943-1946
Mr. Adam Galko (on leave)	Wilmington	1943-1946
Mr. Stanley Cady (military sub.)	Wilmington	
Mr. Charles Baldwin	Wilmington	1942-1945
Mr. Ernest Crispo	Wilmington	1942-1945

### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Mr. Stephen G. Bean	Wilmington Tel. 343 or 2052
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### SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dr. Ernest C. MacDougall	Wilmington Tel. 432
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### SCHOOL NURSE

Mrs. Esther Nichols	Wilmington Tel. 744
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### ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Mr. Ernest Cail	Wilmington Tel. 571
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# **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

## **1945**

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January 2 to February 17

### **Winter Vacation**

February 26 to April 14

### **Spring Vacation**

April 23 to June 23

### **Summer Vacation**

September 4 to December 22

### **Christmas Vacation**

Winter term commences January 2, 1946

### **HOLIDAYS**

January 1	May 30
February 22	October 12
Good Friday	November
April 19	November 22 and 23

### **NO SCHOOL SIGNAL**

22—22—22

Twenty-two blown three times on fire alarm signal

at 7:15 and 7:30 A. M.

Radio announcements will also be made  
over WLLH and WEEI between 7:00 and 7:30 A. M.

# REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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January 1, 1945.

To the Citizens of Wilmington:

We herewith submit for your information a report of the Public Schools of Wilmington. Appended are reports which explain in some detail the manner in which the school activities have been conducted during the past year.

In February, Mr. Stanley Cady was appointed to serve as a military substitute on the Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the absence of Mr. Adam Galka, a member of the armed services.

An outline survey and topographical plan has been made of eighteen and one-half acres of the approximate twenty-two acres of land purchased by the town about two years ago from the Roman Estate. This survey was made as the first step in planning for the eventual development of the property, and it is hoped that it will be decided to continue the preparations by engaging the services of an architect to submit a drawing of a proposed new school and athletic field, at the same time envisaging the possibility of other town buildings on the same property. The continuance of our efforts in this behalf is, of course, predicated on the assumption that the great majority of Wilmington taxpayers recognize the importance of the construction of a modern High School at the earliest possible moment.

We are aware that the carrying through of these plans will be a costly investment for the town and of necessity must await the time when essential building materials and labor are obtainable. The matter has been given much thought by the School Committee and it is our firm opinion that the present limited school facilities have been responsible for retarding the healthy growth of our town. An attractive High School building and a High School athletic field in the center of the town should do much to entice new taxpayers to our community and, all things taken into consideration, should prove to be a sound investment.

Various repairs were supervised in our school buildings during the year, although it was necessary particularly in the High School to postpone some necessary work due to our inability to procure materials and labor. The major portion of the expenditures involving repairs in the elementary schools was connected with the Whitefield

School. This school had not been painted for several years and investigation showed the clapboards to be in very poor condition. All the windows, and there are many, required putty, and repairing in some cases. With the future in mind, asbestos shingles were applied over the clapboards on the entire surface and two coats of paint applied to the trimming. The total cost of the renovation amounted to approximately \$1,900.00. The appearance of the building has been improved and from the practical viewpoint our concentration on this building seems to have been justified.

The closing of schools, due to inclement weather, will be announced over Radio Stations WLLH in Lowell and WEEI in Boston between 7:00 A. M. and 7:30 A. M., for the benefit of those unable to hear the Wilmington whistle which is to be sounded at 7:15 A. M. and 7:30 A. M.

At our February meeting, it was voted to accept the band instruments from the Wilmington Community Band and shortly thereafter, a band instructor was engaged. Many of the children demonstrated much interest in the band and we have had reason to feel pleased with the developments to date.

Similar problems and difficulties confronting all other enterprises during World War II are encountered in the administration of education. So many distractions prevail in the average home that the importance of the education of our students is perhaps not stressed as in normal times. We must not lose sight of the fact that present day students will, in a comparatively short time, have a voice in the affairs of our nation, and the basic education now being received by them will motivate their principles and practices in forthcoming years.

Respectfully submitted,

AUGUST G. MacLEOD, Chairman

VILMA B. BEDELL, Secretary

CHARLES A. BALDWIN

ERNEST M. CRISPO

STANLEY CADY

BURT TILLEY

Wilmington School Committee.

# REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To the School Committee,

Wilmington, Massachusetts.

Madam and Gentlemen:

This is the twenty-first in the series of reports of the Superintendent of Schools that I have prepared during my incumbency in that office.

In these days of necessity for conservation of paper and shortage of labor, it seems advisable to keep this presentation to the minimum.

## GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

Taking into consideration the many difficulties which are encountered, in times like these, in the procurement of both materials and personnel, the past year has been one of very satisfactory accomplishment.

The most marked improvement in conditions has to do with the upkeep of the various buildings in use for school purposes. Only one project involved what might be called a major expenditure, but there were many improvements made which are not as obvious as the one at the Whitefield School.

Not the least important of the minor projects is one started near the close of the calendar year in the High School. This is concerned with the refinishing of desk tops in all of the original classrooms in the building. On these desk tops were found the record of the passing through the school of at least twenty-five classes, as evidenced by the industrious scratching and carving of initials, and even whole names, of members of each yearly group. This same type of defacement of school property can be found in all of the older buildings in the town. It will all be removed as time and labor permits. There are many desks which are so old and decrepit that I suggest a program of gradual replacement of seating units, perhaps one complete room setup each year, for a period of years. This probably cannot be started until after the war, hence the importance of the refinishing.

The process of refinishing should also be started on all the old natural slate blackboards in the various school rooms. These are now so dull and grey, because of years of washing and resultant clogging of pores with chalk paste, that it is a source of severe strain on the eyes to try to read matter written thereon. There is no contrast of black and white such as is shown on newly finished slate surfaces. For this purpose, a new surfacing machine is now available. It is light enough to be easily handled by a high school boy and has a type of operation which makes it almost impossible to ruin the surface by gouging.

A clean up and paint up campaign has been carried on, as funds would allow, in places where most needed. The result is a much more hygienic condition in a number of school rooms. Some of this work was necessitated by our enforced use of soft coal in hot air furnaces during the first two months of this fiscal year.

## PERSONNEL

Changes in personnel in the roster of school employees during the year was unexpectedly small compared to that of the preceding year. This was an unexpected streak of good fortune in these days when so many wealthier communities are bidding for the services of teachers, and the national services and highly subsidized industry are enticing them away from the profession.

In the High School the turnover was about half as great as in 1943, when we lost half of that faculty. This year there were but three changes—Mr. Copeland of the Latin Department, Miss Roberts of the French Department and Mrs. Casey, who was an assistant in English and in charge of Dramatics. These were all replaced by residents of Lawrence, Mass. Miss Rosemary Daly succeeded Mr. Copeland, Miss Geraldine Lynch took over in place of Miss Roberts and Miss Margaret Hart followed Mrs. Casey. All of these new teachers are fitting into the staff very satisfactorily.

In September, there were but four new names on the list of elementary teachers as it stood in June. One was Mrs. Virginia Hill Erickson, who replaced Miss Alma Abramson in the eighth grade of the Buzzell School. Mrs. Erickson's name was not new because she had been a full time substitute in the Center School after Miss Cryan resigned. Mrs. Dale Ganyard replaced Mrs. Erickson in the Center School, Grade VI. Mrs. Mary Patterson of the Walker School staff was succeeded by Miss Patricia Higgins of Lowell. Miss Theresa

McLay of the Whitefield group left us to be married and was replaced by Miss Mary Boutilier of Lowell. Early in the fall term a vacancy was created in the Whitefield School when Miss Littlehale, teacher of the fourth grade, was transferred to the position as Head of the Music Département. The vacancy was filled by Miss Marion Brenton of Somerville, a graduate of Lowell Teachers College, who had a year of experience in Northampton, Mass.

In every case, we were able to secure a replacement who had more or less experience before coming to us, so that there was slight loss in efficiency, if any. At this writing, which is since the close of the fiscal year, two other resignations have been received and one replacement made.

Miss Barbara Purbeck, teacher of the first grade in the Mildred H. Rogers School, left us to serve in the WAVES. She has been replaced by Mrs. Pauline Ryan of Lowell.

The staff of Supervisors is wholly new this year, as of October. All of these positions became vacant at various times during the year.

The present list is as follows:

Supervisor of Art—Mrs. Evelyn Andersen of Wilmington.

Supervisor of Music—Miss Olive Littlehale of Tyngsboro.

Supervisor of Physical Education—Miss Rosemary Boyle of Framingham.

Mrs. Andersen, nee Evelyn Ross, was one of our local graduates who later studied at Massachusetts School of Art and at Boston University.

Miss Littlehale taught the fourth grade at Whitefield School for a number of years and was finally persuaded to take over the work she had prepared for at Lowell Teachers College.

Miss Boyle, a graduate of Posse School, had been teaching to some extent in a Beverly, Mass. school and at a summer camp in New Hampshire.

The most difficult personnel problem of the year was that of providing every school with a competent janitor. Six of the nine school buildings in the town have each had one or more changes in this service during the year. Maple Meadow School had four different



janitors during the calendar year. This may seem unimportant but it is really a vital element in the successful functioning of the schools since each building presents different problems, especially in the elements of heating and ventilation. We have every type of heater from the jacketed stove to a two-unit steam plant. Ventilation or circulation of air is as varied in system as the heaters. Because of circumstances, most of the new janitors had to start from scratch and learn how to keep the systems running effectively and efficiently. In the field of sanitation, each building differed from the others and each presents a different problem, especially in these days when replacement or even repair of plumbing is so difficult to accomplish because of shortages of materials.

While considering this question of building custodians, there comes to mind the passing of the dean of the staff, Mr. Charles F. Perry.

When I first became acquainted with the local schools, over twenty years ago, one of the most familiar sights was that of Mr. Perry in his usual hurry from High School to Center School to Grange Hall or the Congregational Church. He was always busy and I often wondered when he found time to sleep, especially in the cold winter months when he must have been up in the extremely early hours of the morning to get two school buildings ready for use in below zero weather. This he seldom failed to accomplish even in the severest winters.

During most of the years that I knew him, he was also serving as a moving spirit in the Grange; as either member or chairman of the Board of Selectmen; or again as one of the Town Finance Committee. There were times even when the town clock on the Congregational Church and Old Glory's appearance on the Liberty Pole were controlled by his hand. That is what I call useful and successful citizenship.

Requiescat in Pace.

## ENROLLMENT

Contrary to expectations there has been no very great change in the enrollment in our schools since our country entered the war. It was to be expected, that since we are not near any of the larger industries, there would be an exodus of families moving nearer to these employment centers. This, together with the enlistment and drafting of the older school boys, was expected to produce a sharp

reduction in the school population. As a matter of fact, the only noticeable effect is a slight reduction in the overcrowded conditions in some of our school rooms. There is still scarcely a room in the schools of this town, however, in which the number of pupils is not from two to eighteen percent greater than is conducive to successful class work. One room, where the enrollment should be thirty-five, is housing forty-six pupils. In another room of two grades—one of them the first—where the conditions prohibit a membership greater than thirty—the enrollment is forty-one. These facts must be considered by those parents who feel that their children are not receiving sufficient individual attention.

The only solution to this problem is, as suggested by a member of the School Committee, the addition of perhaps two primary buildings in two of the more recently developed sections of the town and the abandonment of the portable building off Lowell Street, known as Maple Meadow School. The portable at Silver Lake would also be replaced by an addition to the newer building.

Two important goals would be reached by such a procedure. In the first place it would be possible to keep the number of pupils per teacher nearer the efficient limits, and at the same time would remove the necessity of pushing on from grade to grade pupils who would profit by repeating a year's work which they had failed to grasp. This would be specially helpful in the intermediate grades. A third advantage would be a reduction in transportation.

Eventually, when a new high school building is available, the old Center School could be abandoned and all of the fifth and sixth grades in town be placed in the Buzzell School.

### AFTER THE WAR—WHAT?

This is the greatest problem facing American educational administrators today. Committees and commissions made up of the high ranking men of the Profession of Education are studying and planning for this post war era. It is coming to be universally recognized that upon education rests the future of this nation. The problem springs from the question as to what type of education is needed to meet this test.

A brief summation of the conclusions of one important group which has studied and still is working on this problem is the following



quotation from a pamphlet, "Planning for American Youth," which has been published by the National Association of Secondary-School Principals.

"All Youth Have Certain Educational Needs in Common"

Youth have specific needs they recognize; society makes certain requirements of all youth; together these form a pattern of common educational needs, which may be expressed as follows:

1. All youth need to develop saleable skills.
2. All youth need to develop and maintain good health and physical fitness.
3. All youth need to understand the rights and duties of the citizen of a democratic society.
4. All youth need to understand the significance of the family for the individual and society.
5. All youth need to know how to purchase and use goods and services intelligently.
6. All youth need to understand the influence of science on human life.
7. All youth need an appreciation of literature, art, music and nature.
8. All youth need to be able to use their leisure time well and to budget it wisely.
9. All youth need to develop respect for other persons.
10. All youth need to grow in their ability to think rationally.

We shall have difficulty meeting these needs because of:

a. The wide range of social problems.

Industrial reconversion

International cooperation and peace

Inter-racial understanding

Jobs for all

Relations between capital and labor

Crime and delinquency

Poverty and disease

Protection of natural resources

Government regulation of free enterprise

Breaking down world trade barriers

b. Parents do not agree on the kind of education they want for their children.

c. Communities have such unequal abilities to pay for what they need.

d. The public, as yet, fails to recognize the importance of education as its investment in good citizenship, health, personal living and occupational competence.

In spite of all difficulties, we must, if we trust the judgment of those best qualified to know, get ready for this very trying period which will follow the cessation of war.

A quotation from a publication of The Educational Policies Commission of The National Educational Association entitled, "Education for All American Youth," is offered for serious consideration.

"Educational Change is bound to come, and come swiftly. Only the nature and direction of change may be controlled."

No one can surely foretell the future of American education, for no one knows what American educators, boards of education and legislatures will do during this critical period. We can, however, foresee the alternatives. And, by a study of our past experience, we can predict the general consequences of each of the lines of action—or inaction—which the public schools may pursue.

The alternative possibilities, very briefly stated, are these:

1. A federalized system of secondary education may be created, at first to compete with and ultimately to replace the traditional American system of state and local control of education.

2. A wisely planned and vigorously implemented program for the improvement, adaption, and extension of educational services to youth may be developed by the local and state educational authorities.

The Commission strongly and unanimously favors the second alternative and rejects the first.

Nevertheless, the Commission firmly believes that if local and state planning and action are lacking, a federal system of secondary education is scarcely less certain to occur than the succession of the seasons."

## SUPPLEMENTARY REPORTS

In connection with this report will be found supplementary reports of some of my associates. Three of the Supervisors have been with us for such a short period that I have allowed them to omit writing a report at this time. I can report for them that the departments of Art, Music and Physical Education are now functioning completely.

## CONCLUSION

Grateful appreciation is offered to all of those of my associates who have given their best to maintain our standards in these trying times.

To the School Committee, I offer thanks for cooperation and understanding.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN G. BEAN,

Superintendent of Schools.

January 31, 1945.

## REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

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January 17, 1945

Mr. S. G. Bean,  
Supt. of Schools,  
Wilmington, Mass.

Dear Sir:

It is my pleasure to submit herewith my annual report as Principal of the Wilmington High School.

While many high schools have reported large decreases in enrollments during the past three years, Wilmington has passed through this period with a reasonably small reduction in numbers. Our enrollment of three hundred pupils on October first compares very favorably with the three hundred and thirty-one enrolled on October first three years ago.

Two of our former teachers, Miss Myra Roberts and Mrs. Rita Casey, are teaching in other communities while a third teacher, Mr. Robert Copeland, is working in a war plant. Fortunately, we were able to fill two of the above vacancies with the election of Miss Rosemary Daly and Miss Geraldyn Lynch, both experienced teachers who wanted to live at home in Lawrence. Miss Margaret Hart, also of Lawrence, was employed to fill the third vacancy.

War conditions have obliged us to put less emphasis upon inter-scholastic athletics in the last few years and for more thought and interest into improving the physical condition of the older boys preparatory to their entrance in the armed forces. We regret that athletic competition with our neighboring schools could not have been retained upon a normal basis, and we are working toward the time when we can again have full schedules in all sports.

Education, in the past, was concerned exclusively with imparting information, but today we plan to improve the pupils' physical condition, teach him to live harmoniously with his associates, help him to acquire some of the social graces, and at the same time encourage

him to make the most of his mental endowment. Most modern high school buildings provide suitable space for social activities, and since our building does not, the School Committee has voted to engage the Grange Hall for eight evenings during the school year and make it available to the pupils for their social events.

War time conditions have raised two troublesome problems relative to awarding diplomas to boys either in, or about to enter, the armed services. First, a senior boy becoming eighteen years of age before graduation is faced with two alternatives:—first, to remain in school and face the possibility of being taken by the draft, or, second, to leave school just prior to his eighteenth birthday and enlist in the service of his choice. In either case the boy is anxious to receive his diploma with his class in June. So far, we have been able to solve this problem to the satisfaction of every deserving boy by considering each case on its merits.

In addition to the above we have a number of boys in service who left school without receiving diplomas, and who are now anxious to complete the necessary work to qualify for one. Many of these boys are given special schooling in the various branches of the service to train them for specific duties and, in addition, it is possible for them to take correspondence courses with the United States Armed Forces Institute.

In the past, we, as other high schools, have been at a loss as to how to evaluate this education in terms of regular high school credits. To bring order out of this confusion the National Association of Secondary School Principals together with the American Council on Education have worked out a plan, which has received the approval of our State Department of Education, whereby we can give proper school credit where due. This solution comes at a fortunate time, for we are receiving many inquiries from the boys in service. As a matter of fact, we expect to be able to award a diploma to one of these boys at our graduation in June and hope that more and more of them will be encouraged to work for a diploma and put themselves in a position to qualify for the educational benefits under the so-called G. I. Bill.

The first world war had a tremendous effect upon secondary education in this country both on the number of pupils enrolled and on the subjects taught. Figures recently released by the army show that in the first world war only twenty percent of the men had had more than an eighth grade education; today sixty-seven percent

have received a partial high school education. Thirty-nine percent of the present army are high school graduates; in the last war only four percent were graduates.

It is accepted, quite generally, that the effect of this war upon secondary education will be no less startling than that of the previous war. The exact pattern of these changes cannot be foretold at this time but most educational leaders agree that such changes will be for the better.

The 1940 Census shows that we are not reaching all pupils of high school age. Sixteen percent of those fourteen years of age, nineteen percent of those fifteen years of age, thirty percent of those sixteen years of age, and forty-five percent of those seventeen years of age in the population are not attending school.

Various reasons are cited to account for the absence of this large number of fourteen to seventeen year old youth from school. One reason, mentioned frequently, is a program of studies which does not make sense to an adolescent. This criticism has spurred our educational thinkers to work on curriculums that will meet the needs of this group more adequately. It is impossible, within the scope of this report, to list in detail all of the suggestions for improvement of the program of studies, but they may be summarized fairly by stating that every subject is being revised and surveyed on the basis of the needs, interests, and abilities of the pupils.

Guidance is rapidly coming to the front as "must" in secondary education. It is no exaggeration to state that guidance, properly administered is more important than any single subject in the curriculum. In recognition of its importance the Massachusetts Department of Education has established a division of guidance with a full time director and our Legislature has enacted laws favoring the appointment of guidance directors in the schools of the State. Mr. Carl Harvey has successfully carried on for several years a limited program of guidance and placement work in Wilmington High School. He has done this on a voluntary basis with very little, if any, lessening of his regular teaching duties. I hope that it may be possible in the near future to free him from some of his teaching duties so as to enable him to devote more of his time to this important work.

This war has had its effect upon education in Wilmington High School and without doubt other changes are to come in the post-war



years. We shall adopt as rapidly as possible those changes which have been proven superior to present practices.

In conclusion may I express my appreciation to the teachers and pupils of the school for their cooperation during this period of changes and emotional instability. I am grateful to you Mr. Bean, for your friendly guidance and counsel and to the School Committee for its interest in the affairs of the school.

Respectfully,

J. TURNER HOOD, JR.



## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

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Mr. Stephen G. Bean,  
Superintendent of Schools,  
Wilmington, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Because of the war, the year 1944 has presented many and varied health problems.

Working mothers, rationing and the nervous strain of having members of the family in the armed forces, have upset family life and, in some cases, rendered the home inadequate. Children from these homes frequently are not properly cared for. They miss the planned routine which children and young people need, i. e., regular hours of rest, recreation and work, regular well planned meals and parental interest in all their physical, mental and moral needs. Without this care, their attendance at school has been irregular, their school work inferior and their general health has been impaired. In spite of larger incomes and more liberal spending, there are many children in our schools who are handicapped by defects that could and should be corrected.

Help and guidance have also been given to parents who, in spite of the stress and strain of war, are planning and caring for their children. They are providing good homes under trying conditions and deserve much credit.

Among the disabilities requiring attention were rheumatic fever, heart trouble, middle-ear infection, mal-nutrition, primary infection of tuberculosis, scabies and pediculosis with scalp infection, not to mention enlarged tonsils and decayed teeth. Caring for these cases has consumed much time and effort and has required the services of at least twelve Lowell and greater Boston hospitals, clinics, social agencies and convalescent homes.

The routine work of assisting the school physician with physical examinations, notifying parents of defects, vision and hearing tests and inspections for cleanliness and contagion has been done as usual.

At the annual diphtheria clinic, one hundred and nine children were innoculated. Of these, only thirty-five were of pre-school age.

As diphtheria is primarily a threat to very young children, parents should avail themselves of this service and have their children immunized as soon as they have had their first birthday.

Tuberculosis is on the increase in some parts of the country. In Wilmington, new cases have been reported, one arrested case has again become active and several tuberculosis patients have moved here from other cities and towns. If we are able to keep tuberculosis under control, all active cases must be hospitalized, contacts must be supervised and X-Rayed, and unknown cases must be found by means of the X-Ray. All known contacts among school children, as well as many adults in their families have been supervised and X-Rayed when necessary. Approximately fifty-five contacts and suspects have been taken to N.R.S.S. for examination and X-Ray during the past year. I hope this supervision can be extended to include all tuberculosis patients. This, however, would come under the jurisdiction of the Board of Health.

Teaching a course in home nursing proved to be an interesting and worthwhile project. The Roman House was ideal for such a course. Although it meant giving up one afternoon a week for twelve weeks, thirteen high school girls completed the course successfully and were awarded a certificate by the Red Cross. To relieve the shortage of nurses, more such courses are needed and could be conducted if one or two registered nurses who are not now working would be willing to assist.

The Suellen Chart which we use for vision testing detects only nearsightedness. A borrowed "Mass. Vision Test" proved much more efficient in that it detects farsightedness and muscle unbalance as well as nearsightedness. As eye strain and vision defects are often responsible for school failures, it is imperative that they be detected as soon as they develop. For this purpose, we need to own a "Mass Vision Test."

I wish to thank all those who, by their interest and cooperation, have aided our effort to attain maximum health for every school child.

Respectfully submitted,

ESTHER H. NICHOLS, R. N.,

School Nurse.



	NAME	POSITION	RESIDENCE
Acting	Louise Murray	Center School—Grade V	Lowell, Mass.
Principal	Ruth Ganyard (Mrs.)	Grade VI	Wilmington, Mass.
Teachers	Marjorie Waring	Grade VI	Lowell, Mass.
	Kathleen O'Malley	Grade VI	Lowell, Mass.
Principal	Sybil Wiberg	Walker School—Grade I	Reading, Mass.
Teachers	Olive Oman	Grades III and IV	Wilmington, Mass.
	Phyllis Johnson	Grades II and III	Lexington, Mass.
	Patricia Higgins	Grade V	Lowell, Mass.
Principal	A. Estelle Horton	Whitefield School—Grade V	Greenwood, Mass.
Teachers	Lena Doucette	Grades II and III	Wilmington, Mass.
	Marion E. Brenton	Grade IV	Somerville, Mass.
	Mary Boutlier	Grades I and II	Lowell, Mass.
Principal	Helen Barrett	Mildred H. Rogers School—Grade III	Lawrence, Mass.
Teachers	Marjorie Harris	Grade II	Woburn, Mass.
	Pauline W. Ryan (Mrs.)	Grade I	Lowell, Mass.
	Sylvia Shapiro	Grade IV	Lowell, Mass.
Principal	Helen Patten (Mrs.)	Maple Meadow School—Grades III and IV	Wakefield, Mass.
Teachers	Mary Feeley	Grades I and II	Wilmington, Mass.
	Esther T. McLay (Mrs.)	North School—Special Class	No. Andover, Mass.
	Lena M. Eames (Mrs.)	West School	Wilmington, Mass.
	Esther Nichols (Mrs.)	School Nurse	Wilmington, Mass.
	E. C. MacDougall	School Physician	Wilmington, Mass.
	Miriam H. Ware (Mrs.)	Clerk	Wilmington, Mass.

## Janitors

## NAME

Louis Kennedy  
Ernest Cail  
Bernard MacDonough  
David Dickson  
Wilfred Babine  
Chelsea Davis  
Justice Balser  
Leslie Durkee  
William White

## POSITION

High School  
D. T. Buzzell School  
Center School  
Walker School  
Whitefield School  
Mildred H. Rogers School  
Maple Meadow School  
North School  
West School

## RESIDENCE

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# WILMINGTON SCHOOL REPORT

## AGE-GRADE DISTRIBUTION

October 1, 1944

	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	T
I	28	57	26	1														112
II		23	68	27	14	2												134
III			21	68	23	8	6											126
IV				21	60	25	1	1										113
V					14	66	20	7	2	1								110
VI						18	63	16	12	4								113
VII							9	55	24	12	11	1						112
VIII								13	54	21	14	1						103
S.C.							2	2	1									5
T	28	80	115	117	111	119	105	94	94	38	25	2						928
IX								3	19	47	26	4	2					101
X										15	52	13	5					85
XI											14	31	9	1				55
XII											1	15	38	5				59
T								3	19	62	93	63	54	6				300
G.T.	28	80	115	117	111	119	105	97	113	100	118	65	54	6				1228

## SCHOOL-GRADE DISTRIBUTION October 1, 1944

	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	S.C.	IX	X	XI	XII	T
WEST	16	20												36
MAPLE MEADOW	15	26	20	13										74
MILDRED H. ROGERS	33	29	31	25										118
WALKER	32	34	37	34	29									166
WHITEFIELD	16	25	38	41	39									159
CENTER					42	113								155
BUZZELL							112	103						215
NORTH									5					5
TOTAL	112	134	126	113	110	113	112	103	5					928
HIGH										101	85	55	59	300
GRAND TOTAL	112	134	126	113	110	113	112	103	5	101	85	55	59	1228



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